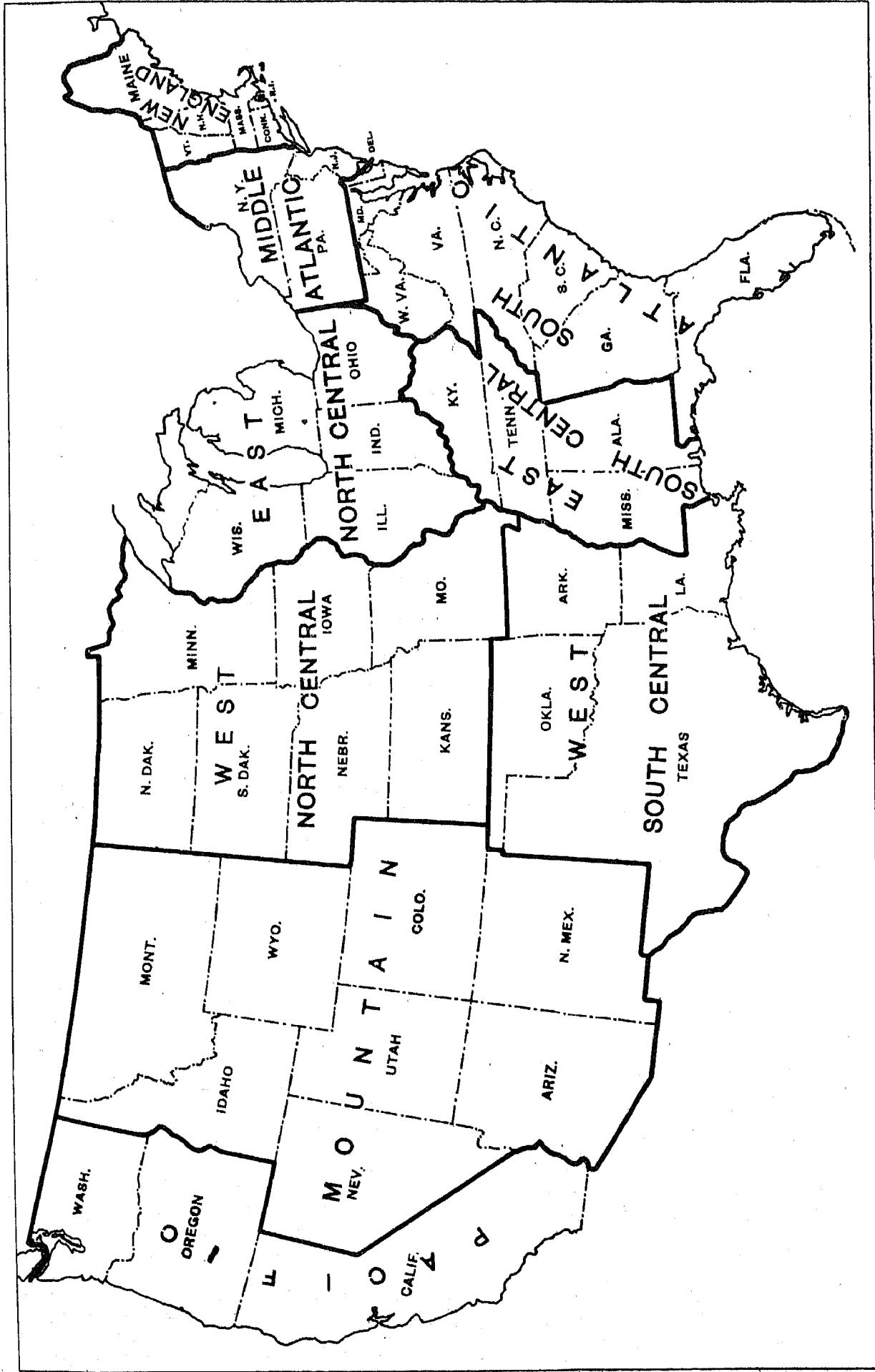


Map of the United States, Showing Geographic Divisions



ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS

Introduction.—Presented in this report is a tabulation of the abandoned or idle farms recorded at the 1940 Agriculture Census. In connection with the enumeration of farms and ranches, each enumerator was required to list the abandoned and idle farms in his district (see facsimile of Abandoned or Idle Farm Listing Sheet).

This recording of the abandoned or idle farms represents one of the expedients used by the Bureau of the Census for enumeration control. Another check on the enumeration was the identification by the enumerator, on a map of the enumeration district, of each place visited. The problem of enumeration control also involves the accounting for all lands, both farm and nonfarm, in each enumeration district. The recording of "cross-line" acreage (that part of the farm extending beyond the boundaries of the minor civil division in which the farm headquarters are located) helped in accounting for the farm lands (see Special Report on Cross-line Acreage). Nonfarm lands were accounted for only in part. In addition to recording the acreage in abandoned or idle farms it was suggested to enumerators that it would be helpful if they indicated on their maps any sizable tracts of nonfarm lands.

Although the primary purpose of this recording of the abandoned or idle farms in each enumeration district was to assist in the checking of the completeness of the enumeration, it was hoped that something could be learned as to the extent, cause, and date of such abandonment or idleness.

The 1940 Agriculture Census was the first for which a tabulation was made of abandoned or idle farms. At the Censuses of 1935, 1930, and 1925 enumerators were asked to report abandoned or idle farms, but these reports were used solely in connection with the checking of the completeness of the enumeration. Instructions on the reverse side of the 1935 Farm and Ranch Schedule included the following: "Farms abandoned or idle in both 1934 and 1935 are to be listed but no schedules prepared. * * * * * The list of abandoned and idle farms should be turned in with schedules when district is completed." In 1930 and 1925 the enumerators were instructed to record abandoned farms so that the number of such farms might be reported to the supervisors. The instructions for 1925 read: "While no schedules are to be secured for abandoned farms, you should keep a record of the number of such farms that come to your attention, so that you can report this number to your supervisor when you have finished the district."

Definition of abandoned or idle farms.—Abandoned or idle farms for which figures are presented in this report may be defined as places which had been farmed within 10 years preceding the census date and which, at the time of the enumeration, had been abandoned a year or longer with no indication that farming operations would be resumed during 1940. By "farm" is meant agricultural operations which would have sufficed to classify the place as a farm for Census purposes.

The instructions to enumerators in regard to the listing of abandoned or idle farms read as follows: "Farms not operated

in 1939 and on which no operations are contemplated in 1940, if used for agricultural purposes (including grazing) within the past 10 years, are to be recorded on the Abandoned or Idle Farm List."

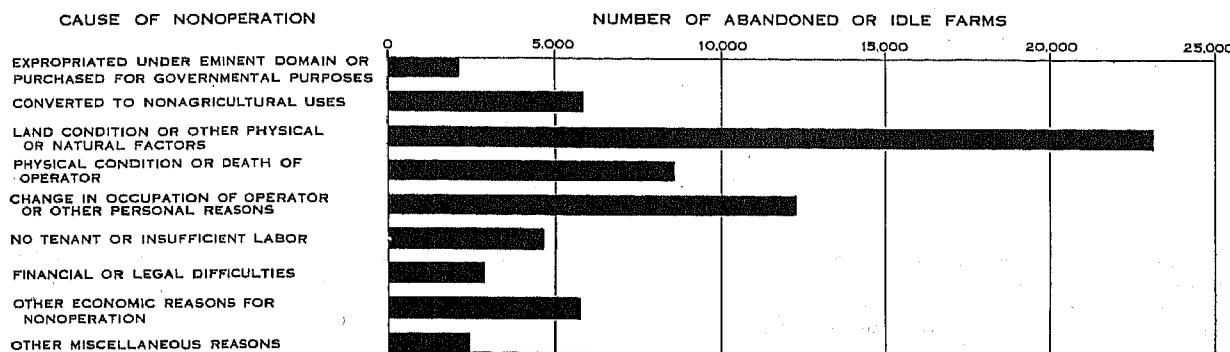
Number and size of abandoned farms.—Enumerators, at the 1940 Agriculture Census, listed acceptable reports for 76,704 abandoned or idle farms, or 1.3 for every 100 operated farms. Additional abandoned or idle farms, numbering 175, were reported without sufficient identification of their location for inclusion in the tables. Of the 76,704 abandoned or idle farms the area was reported for 76,252, amounting to 6,484,292 acres. This acreage is small compared with the idle land in operated farms, the idle or fallow cropland amounting to 56,928,656 acres in 1939.

The abandoned or idle farms were much smaller than the operated farms, the former averaging 85 acres as compared with 174 for the latter. The proportion of abandoned or idle farms to operated farms was greatest in the northeast, approximately 1 abandoned farm for each 20 operated farms being reported in the New England and Middle Atlantic Divisions and in the State of Maryland. Relatively few abandoned or idle farms were reported in the East South Central, the West South Central, or in the West North Central States. Iowa among the States reported the fewest abandoned or idle farms relative to the number of operated farms, with approximately 1 abandoned or idle farm reported for every 2,000 operated farms. Only 98 abandoned or idle farms were reported in the State.

Abandoned or idle farms by cause of nonoperation.—A column was provided on the Abandoned or Idle Farm List for entering the reasons why the abandoned or idle farms were not operated. The heading for this column was as follows: "Reasons why not operated (as 'worn out,' 'purchased by State,' 'succession of drought years,' etc.)." The reasons listed by the enumerators were extremely varied. Some of the entries represented cause of abandonment, others merely the reasons for the continued nonoperation. Many of the replies were rather vague. For the most part the reasons given probably represented what the respondents considered the most important causes for the nonoperation of the farms. However, two abandoned farms in the same area may have been abandoned as the result of very similar circumstances yet one may have been reported as abandoned because of "poor land," the other because of "financial difficulties." Therefore, the classification of abandoned or idle farms by the reported causes of nonoperation may not represent the fundamental reasons for abandonment but will represent a summation of the opinions of the respondents. In setting up the classification by cause of nonoperation, it was not possible to set up groups which would be entirely separate and distinct. In many instances a report might have been included equally well under either of two classes. The classification by reason for nonoperation was limited to those abandoned or idle farms for which acreage was reported.

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ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1940



BASE FIGURES SHOWN IN TABLE I

The classification by cause of nonoperation was as follows:

Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes:

Included under this classification were farms purchased by the United States, a State or local government, or expropriated under eminent domain and no longer used for agricultural purposes. Examples are farms bought by the United States, by a State, a city, etc., and farms taken into a National or State Forest, or Park.

Converted to nonagricultural uses:

This classification includes farms converted to residential sections, factory or camp sites, golf courses, airports, or to other nonagricultural uses; or held for conversion to such nonagricultural use; or farm used solely for residential purposes. Examples are oil lands, coal lands, factory sites, residential sites, resorts, gun clubs, golf courses, tourist camps, seasonal homes, or an indication that the "farm" was being used solely as a residence. This class also includes "restoration" lands, that is, lands being restored to grass under a governmental program.

Land condition or other physical or natural factors:

Included in this classification were reasons which indicated unfavorable physical condition of the land resulting from natural causes or destructive farm practices; also unfavorable climatic or other physical conditions. Reasons under this classification include such entries as: "Too poor," "rough land," "run-down," "worn-out," "grown-up," "drought," "erosion," "floods," "poor years," "too wet," "successive years of crop failure," "crops destroyed by insects," and the like.

Physical condition or death of operator:

Reasons such as "too old to work," "old age," "unable to work," "sickness," and "death of operator" were included in this classification.

Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons:

Included under this classification were farms for which the reason for nonoperation indicated that the owner, or farm operator, had taken up some other occupation, had another income, had retired, moved away, was a nonresident, was not a farmer, or was dissatisfied or indifferent.

No tenant or insufficient labor:

This group included farms for which the reason for nonoperation indicated there was no tenant available, the farm was "not rented" or that there was no one to work the land, or no labor was available.

Financial or legal difficulties:

Such reasons as "bankruptcy," "foreclosed," "sold for taxes," "undivided estate," "owner not financially able to buy equipment," "unable to finance," "financial reasons," "livestock prohibited by city ordinance," and the like, were included.

Other economic reasons for nonoperation:

Included are such reasons as buildings, fences, or other improvements in need of repair or lacking, or livestock or equipment lacking provided there was no definite indication that these conditions represented financial difficulties; farming unprofitable; or the farm too small or with insufficient cropland. Some examples include: "Buildings run-down," "no buildings," "no fences," "no livestock," "no equipment," "farm too small," "not enough cropland," "unprofitable," and "poor roads."

Other miscellaneous reasons:

This group included such miscellaneous reasons as "farms held for sale," "letting land rest," or other reasons for which the reports were too few to justify separate presentation.

No reason or reason insufficient for classification:

Included here are those reports for which no reason for nonoperation was given, or for which the entry did not appear to represent a reason. Under this classification were included such entries as "just purchased," "just moved on," "just not farmed," "unknown," "open range," "not grazed," or "graseland."

Nearly one-third of the abandoned or idle farms were reported as not operated because of the condition of the land or because of other physical or natural factors. Slightly over one-quarter were abandoned because of the physical condition or death of operators, or because of changes in occupation or for other personal reasons. Approximately 1 in 6 was abandoned

because of economic reasons such as lack of tenant, insufficient labor, financial or legal difficulties, lack of improvements, livestock, or equipment, and the like. Only 1 in 10 of the abandoned or idle farms was abandoned because of conversion to nonagricultural use, including farms expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes. It is significant that financial or legal difficulties were given as the cause of abandonment for only 1 abandoned or idle farm in every 27. In many instances, however, financial difficulties were very likely a contributing cause.

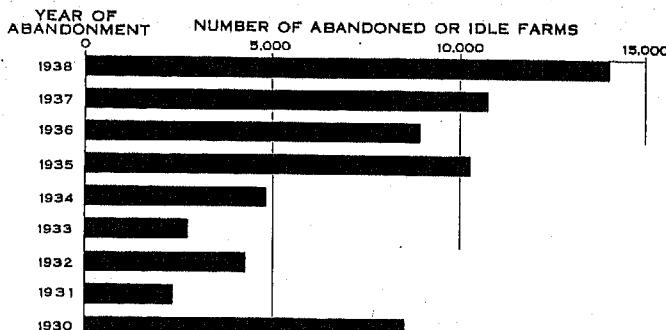
Farms abandoned or idle because of expropriation under eminent domain or purchase by the United States, or by States, cities, counties, etc., averaged much larger than farms which had been abandoned for other reasons. For many States the average size of these farms was larger than that for operated farms. Farms abandoned because of the physical condition or death of operators and those abandoned because of change in occupation of operators or other personal reasons were appreciably smaller on an average than farms abandoned for other reasons.

Abandoned or idle farms by year of abandonment.—

Enumerators were asked to enter, for each abandoned or idle farm listed, the approximate year the farm was last operated. For acceptable reports, the entries for the approximate year last operated ranged from 1930 to 1938, inclusive (see the discussion under Definition of abandoned or idle farms). Tabulations were made showing the number and acreage of the farms reported as abandoned in each of these years. The approximate year the farm was last operated was taken as the year of abandonment. Only the abandoned or idle farms for which acreage was reported were classified.

When comparing the numbers and acreages of farms abandoned in the different years, it should be kept in mind that the figures are not strictly comparable. The numbers of farms reported as abandoned in the earlier years exclude any abandoned in those years upon which operations had been resumed by the time of the 1940 enumeration.

Comparatively few farms were abandoned during the depression years. Only 12.4 percent of the abandoned or idle farms were abandoned from 1931 to 1933, inclusive, or only slightly more for the 3 years than were abandoned in 1930 (11.2 percent). Over one-half of the abandoned or idle farms were reported as abandoned from 1935 to 1938, the number abandoned in 1938 amounting to 18.4 percent of the total. There were no significant differences in the sizes of farms abandoned in the different years.

ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT
FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1940

BASE FIGURES SHOWN IN TABLE I

Appraisal of the statistics.—The instructions to enumerators stressed the importance of securing complete coverage in the 1940 enumeration of farms and ranches. Each enumerator was provided with a map of the territory he was to enumerate. He was instructed to locate on this map each dwelling and each farm visited. It was also suggested that for rural areas, he outline on his map any sizable tract of land not requiring a farm schedule, this instruction reading as follows: "Whenever a sizable tract of land which does not require a farm schedule is encountered you will find it helpful to outline the tract on your map, giving its approximate size, and indicating its nature." If these instructions were followed, no abandoned or idle farms of any appreciable size should have been overlooked. It is possible, however, that places not locally considered as farms may not have been recorded as abandoned or idle farms even though there may have been sufficient agricultural operations sometime within the preceding 10 years to conform to the Census definition of a farm. Figures for abandoned or idle farms are probably somewhat short of the total number idle in 1940 which were abandoned between 1930 and 1938, inclusive. Shortage in the enumeration may have been offset to some extent by erroneous entries on the abandoned or idle farm list. Even though the figures for abandoned or idle farms may not have been entirely accurate, they will give an indication of the relative importance of abandoned or idle farms in different areas, of the reasons for abandonment, and of the date of such abandonment.

For many areas the number and acreage of abandoned or idle farms reported by the enumerators failed to explain, or explained only in part, decreases in number of farms and in land in farms between 1930 and 1940. This implies a possible shortage in the enumeration of abandoned or idle farms. It must be kept in mind, however, that decreases in numbers of farms and land in farms may have resulted from causes other than abandonment of farms. Consolidation in farms would result in a decrease in number of farms; and the exclusion of lands, such as woodland and wasteland, formerly in farms but which may never have been used for agricultural purposes would result in a

decrease of land in farms. Another indication that the enumeration of abandoned and idle farms may have been somewhat short is the relatively few enumerators who reported abandoned or idle farms. Reports of abandoned or idle farms were received at the 1940 Census for only 16,444 enumeration districts, yet farms were enumerated in 48,179 minor civil divisions, each of these minor civil divisions represented 1 or more enumeration districts.

There is a possibility that ownership tracts rather than individual farms were reported on the Abandoned or Idle Farm List. In some instances, such a tract may have represented only a part of what had been one farm or it may have represented several farms.

There is some evidence that a few of the enumerators may have used the Abandoned or Idle Farm List for reporting each place in their district for which they had not prepared a Farm and Ranch Schedule. Others apparently confused abandoned or idle dwellings with abandoned or idle farms. Before tabulating, each entry was checked to see if it represented an abandoned or idle farm in accordance with instructions to enumerators. Approximately one-fifth of the entries recorded on the listing sheets were not included in the tabulations because they represented erroneous entries. These included:

Farms for which 1929 or an earlier date was entered as the approximate year last operated.

Farms for which 1939 or 1940 was entered as the approximate year last operated.

Places of less than 3 acres when there was no indication that they may have ever conformed to the Census definition of a farm.

Farms, or farmsteads, for which there was an indication that all the cropland had been rented out.

Lands used by the owner or operator for pasture or grazing, or lands rented for pasture or grazing. A designation such as "open range," "in grass," "grassland not rented," or the like, was not considered sufficient evidence to justify crossing off an entry.

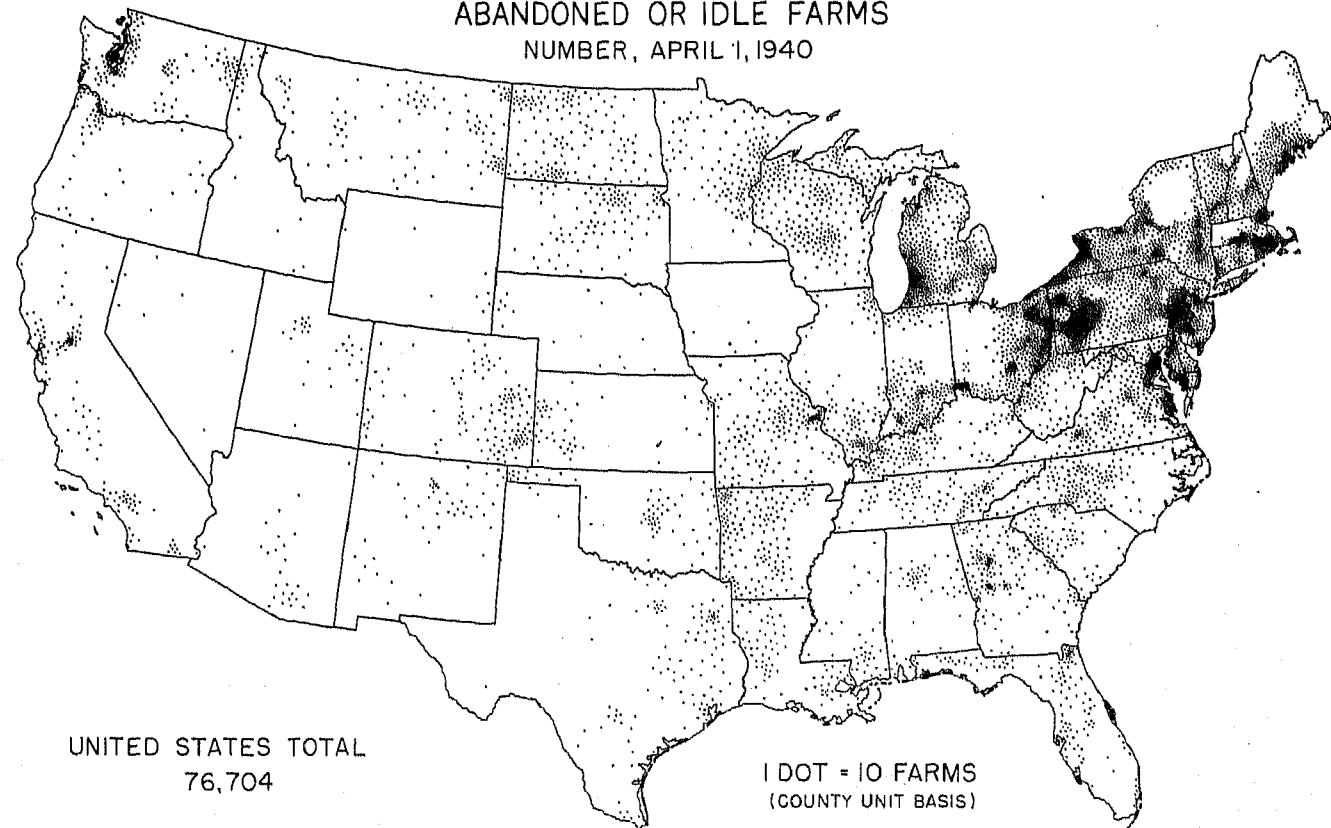
Stock-feeding places.

Places which had been absorbed by other farms or ranches.

Places recently purchased or rented if there was an implication that the place might be farmed in 1940.

Establishments which obviously did not represent places which had ever been farmed.

ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS NUMBER, APRIL 1, 1940



ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—UNITED STATES SUMMARY

TABLE 1.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE, BY CAUSE

ITEM	UNITED STATES	GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS					
		New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central
1 Farms operated, Census of 1940—number	6,096,799	185,190	348,100	1,006,095	1,090,574	1,019,451	1,023,349
2 All land in farms—acres	1,080,652,374	18,371,475	33,658,873	113,655,362	274,422,569	92,554,759	77,086,363
3 Average per farm—acres	174.0	98.9	96.6	113.0	251.6	90.8	75.3
4 Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—number	76,704	7,261	20,615	16,920	5,926	11,523	8,311
5 Reporting acreage—number	76,252	7,167	20,475	16,881	5,902	11,464	8,284
6 Land in these farms—acres	6,484,292	508,392	1,219,517	1,012,398	896,005	877,372	196,825
7 Average per farm—acres	85.0	70.9	59.6	60.0	151.8	76.5	59.9
8 Not reporting acreage—number	452	94	140	39	21	59	27
9 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—number	67,453	6,593	18,225	14,895	5,274	9,581	3,007
10 Acres—number	5,700,005	462,141	1,084,285	889,246	798,150	684,237	179,511
11 Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—number	2,159	104	551	627	237	168	73
12 Acres—number	404,460	14,617	72,662	62,558	55,414	32,748	6,827
13 Converted to nonagricultural uses—number	5,854	1,041	1,859	1,442	372	434	111
14 Acres—number	476,049	87,155	124,165	98,911	55,313	42,163	7,781
15 Land condition or other physical or natural factors—number	23,151	1,473	4,614	5,515	2,826	3,117	1,100
16 Acres—number	2,264,978	106,978	279,882	336,734	485,121	213,840	66,168
17 Physical condition or death of operator—number	8,507	1,178	2,951	1,680	280	1,167	289
18 Acres—number	468,258	74,019	147,124	80,086	19,481	76,557	11,649
19 Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—number	12,146	1,553	3,784	2,742	595	1,816	560
20 Acres—number	659,966	72,785	174,604	111,999	56,042	99,639	28,895
21 No tenant or insufficient labor—number	4,696	142	1,431	933	320	1,178	292
22 Acres—number	559,824	9,077	90,559	56,299	949,955	91,266	20,485
23 Financial or legal difficulties—number	2,809	351	865	458	176	459	113
24 Acres—number	267,768	51,920	64,888	34,057	27,744	42,053	8,558
25 Other economic reasons for nonoperation—number	5,787	507	1,591	922	288	838	293
26 Acres—number	430,450	43,585	64,747	51,754	24,752	55,900	17,731
27 Other miscellaneous reasons—number	2,404	264	579	576	180	614	176
28 Acres—number	280,272	22,004	45,694	36,848	26,378	24,091	9,417
29 No reason or reason insufficient for classification—number	8,799	774	2,250	1,986	628	1,875	277
30 Acres—number	784,287	46,251	135,232	123,152	97,655	193,135	17,314
31 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—number	66,846	6,173	17,658	14,417	5,142	10,200	8,143
32 Acres—number	5,649,212	451,182	1,053,637	855,512	758,925	758,740	189,809
33 1939—number	14,018	1,211	3,094	3,040	1,334	2,261	902
34 Acres—number	1,294,144	90,850	195,071	183,434	174,760	153,684	54,381
35 1957—number	10,741	794	2,495	2,214	1,000	1,879	610
36 Acres—number	868,392	55,600	153,086	153,073	151,688	120,531	53,142
37 1956—number	8,949	709	2,136	1,850	857	1,487	470
38 Acres—number	805,083	48,845	128,973	112,172	146,596	112,915	26,566
39 1935—number	10,283	959	2,762	2,505	753	1,571	405
40 Acres—number	852,431	73,201	168,442	128,878	103,377	125,254	26,610
41 1934—number	4,879	451	1,531	1,039	372	601	212
42 Acres—number	437,556	33,694	75,615	68,372	61,568	48,994	11,556
43 1933—number	2,764	263	778	572	190	354	102
44 Acres—number	242,402	18,021	46,750	32,077	27,776	23,425	6,282
45 1932—number	4,313	504	1,387	806	240	587	129
46 Acres—number	367,271	35,398	80,544	47,091	36,226	44,436	10,819
47 1931—number	2,343	314	775	442	99	283	75
48 Acres—number	187,415	24,441	49,192	23,742	11,151	23,269	4,990
49 1930—number	8,556	988	2,881	2,149	337	1,097	242
50 Acres—number	614,518	71,082	165,864	111,675	45,824	106,452	15,465
51 Year of abandonment not reported—number	9,406	994	2,837	2,464	760	1,264	141
52 Acres—number	835,080	57,280	165,880	176,886	137,080	118,632	7,016
Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by cause of nonoperation:							
53 Reporting cause of nonoperation—acres	84.5	72.5	59.5	59.7	151.3	71.3	59.7
54 Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—acres	189.1	140.5	131.9	131.7	233.8	194.9	93.5
55 Converted to nonagricultural uses—acres	61.4	85.7	66.8	68.6	148.7	97.1	70.1
56 Land condition or other physical or natural factors—acres	97.8	72.6	60.7	61.1	171.0	70.5	62.0
57 Physical condition or death of operator—acres	55.0	62.8	49.9	47.7	69.4	65.6	40.3
58 Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—acres	52.7	53.8	46.1	40.8	94.2	54.9	51.6
59 No tenant or insufficient labor—acres	76.6	65.9	65.3	60.5	156.1	77.5	70.2
60 Financial or legal difficulties—acres	95.3	96.4	75.0	74.4	157.6	91.6	75.7
61 Other economic reasons for nonoperation—acres	76.2	86.0	53.3	56.1	85.9	59.6	60.5
62 Other miscellaneous reasons—acres	158.2	83.3	78.9	64.0	146.5	76.7	53.5
63 No reason or reason insufficient for classification—acres	89.1	59.8	60.1	62.0	155.8	103.1	62.5
Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by year of abandonment:							
64 Reporting year of abandonment—acres	84.5	73.1	59.7	58.0	147.6	74.4	60.4
65 1938—acres	92.3	75.0	63.0	60.3	131.0	68.0	60.3
66 1937—acres	80.8	70.0	61.4	60.1	151.7	64.0	54.3
67 1936—acres	90.0	68.9	58.0	60.6	175.1	75.9	56.5
68 1935—acres	81.0	78.0	59.2	53.7	141.0	79.7	66.0
69 1934—acres	69.7	74.7	56.8	65.8	165.5	71.9	54.5
70 1933—acres	87.7	68.5	60.0	56.1	146.2	66.2	61.6
71 1932—acres	85.2	70.2	58.1	58.4	150.9	75.7	63.9
72 1931—acres	80.0	77.8	65.6	55.7	112.4	82.2	68.4
73 1930—acres	71.6	71.9	57.6	52.0	156.0	97.0	65.9
74 Not reporting year of abandonment—acres	88.8	57.6	58.5	71.8	180.4	93.9	49.8

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OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT; AND AVERAGE ACREAGE; BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: CENSUS OF 1940

GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS—Continued			NEW ENGLAND DIVISION						MIDDLE ATLANTIC DIVISION		
West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Maine	New Hampshire	Vermont	Massachusetts	Rhode Island	Connecticut	New York	New Jersey	Pennsylvania
964,570 200,527,359 207.9	235,497 191,901,190 821.9	276,173 63,694,446 250.6	38,980 4,228,297 108.3	16,554 1,809,514 109.3	25,582 5,666,855 155.5	51,897 1,937,965 60.8	5,014 221,513 78.6	21,163 1,512,151 71.5	153,238 17,170,887 112.1	25,655 1,874,402 72.6	189,027 14,594,134 66.3
4,182 4,157 557,818 86.1 26	3,757 3,742 1,231,225 329.0 15	3,209 3,180 184,740 58.1 29	2,162 2,125 182,608 76.6 39	1,054 1,032 90,965 88.1 22	1,105 1,081 129,548 118.7 12	1,825 1,610 58,078 58.1 15	469 466 23,306 50.0 5	848 845 43,889 51.9 3	7,482 7,405 530,708 71.7 77	1,955 1,950 78,848 40.4 5	11,180 11,120 609,968 54.9 60
5,824 340,101	5,328 1,104,569	2,816 157,965	1,657 146,548	958 86,178	1,001 119,085	1,446 51,548	589 20,285	744 39,921	8,490 465,774	1,751 71,569	10,004 546,942
120 23,537 219 23,584	216 113,566 102 26,221	45 2,731 254 9,956	56 7,243 184 11,400	20 2,503 222 19,184	34 4,080 257 82,982	7 370 187 9,010	— — 55 2,870	7 405 156 11,729	439 61,463 742 56,728	15 675 171 11,156	97 10,524 946 56,281
1,885 172,075 398 20,044	2,088 545,000 405 20,467	725 58,179 566 18,881	521 18,530 190 14,885	188 52,575 77 7,920	267 11,129 326 11,904	292 2,869 107 6,069	51 8,282 112 5,578	154 8,282 112 5,578	1,550 107,428 984 54,932	561 16,628 984 11,116	2,725 155,856 555 61,076
590 54,990 280 16,282	288 41,608 42 13,376	438 19,406 98 12,545	386 28,462 56 4,290	203 12,950 22 1,444	112 11,500 15 2,005	402 10,300 15 682	109 4,426 1 100	142 5,147 26 567	1,275 71,956 488 55,378	571 12,582 68 2,753	2,140 90,146 875 54,428
117 13,928 443 50,008 82 6,155	120 55,455 282 107,110 51 200,568	170 8,285 153 23,863 80 9,119	116 10,291 184 12,009 25 7,361	80 9,790 58 6,088 55 1,824	51 6,086 128 18,158 68 6,807	54 2,802 98 2,925 67 2,746	37 1,802 26 1,987 35 140	43 2,669 68 4,438 36 5,128	216 25,061 551 55,888 915 3,998	140 6,986 551 10,855 219 84,932	607 54,811 808 98,530 1,116 7,279
235 17,717	414 126,856	564 26,775	266 16,280	78 5,795	90 10,485	164 6,750	77 8,048	101 3,998	915 84,932	219 63,021	29
3,887 330,301 856 60,840	3,588 1,105,804 676 345,426	2,858 165,852 864 55,698	1,878 146,242 184 29,482	952 78,850 184 15,751	1,041 123,705 246 27,669	1,254 46,638 281 8,591	849 18,475 87 5,186	719 57,222 155 6,391	6,545 480,510 1,154 85,888	1,668 84,855 278 10,855	9,455 585,772 1,662 98,530
758 73,957 557 40,581	559 128,867 526 174,763	472 21,188 377 18,872	230 19,798 214 17,925	109 7,542 97 7,561	159 16,228 125 12,588	171 5,560 159 4,972	41 2,087 41 2,481	84 4,597 75 5,800	948 72,876 744 50,107	240 8,304 204 50,107	1,507 71,906 1,188 6,417
584 49,944 502 84,185	619 137,187 516 88,992	487 29,578 175 14,630	275 20,512 158 11,189	188 15,789 76 7,072	184 24,818 60 8,906	184 7,116 77 8,118	51 5,045 21 901	91 4,111 41 2,508	1,077 75,510 486 51,471	278 10,492 121 4,480	1,407 77,432 744 59,684
183 18,805 247 16,159	205 62,983 251 82,629	116 6,286 162 11,969	87 5,614 154 12,270	28 2,515 74 5,121	52 5,658 68 6,822	60 2,514 107 4,987	15 811 41 2,080	23 1,509 41 8,318	269 1,509 60 84,398	70 19,817 501 8,270	440 24,244 746 89,888
141 10,876 299 23,024	125 31,527 233 55,980	95 8,707 292 19,086	112 8,798 171 20,347	45 5,619 125 14,870	42 5,619 195 15,899	54 2,107 48 8,078	26 1,248 48 2,856	35 1,981 157 9,057	261 18,256 1,125 72,595	70 5,918 257 10,780	442 27,018 1,499 82,841
270 27,517	854 125,421	322 19,598	245 18,586	80 12,115	50 5,943	376 11,440	117 4,881	126 8,667	860 70,198	292 14,493	1,686 81,191
86.7	331.8	56.1	78.8	88.1	119.0	55.6	52.1	53.7	71.8	41.3	54.7
194.5 106.8	525.8 257.1	65.5 59.2	201.4 69.5	125.2 128.5	120.3 128.5	52.9 48.2	— 52.2	57.9 75.2	140.0 76.5	45.0 65.2	108.5 59.5
101.5 50.4	261.0 128.7	75.6 46.6	72.2 75.6	87.9 78.5	122.0 102.9	58.1 56.5	58.3 56.7	40.7 49.8	70.2 55.8	46.0 35.2	57.2 49.7
59.3 62.6 118.2 67.7 75.0	155.2 518.5 505.8 379.8 5,982.7	44.5 128.0 48.7 90.8 50.1	75.9 76.8 88.7 90.8 92.0	65.8 65.6 82.7 82.7 73.0	102.7 91.1 82.9 126.1 128.4	25.6 44.1 42.6 48.7 41.0	40.6 100.0 42.6 76.4 46.7	56.2 81.8 62.1 65.5 66.8	56.5 68.4 105.8 65.0 79.5	33.8 40.2 50.0 31.8 63.9	42.1 52.2 60.7 51.5 80.6
76.0	306.4	75.6	61.1	78.1	118.0	41.0	39.5	39.3	71.0	33.2	56.5
85.0 72.8 100.2 72.9 85.5 115.0 102.7 75.5 77.1 77.0 101.9	328.4 511.0 234.4 332.2 264.3 261.6 507.2 329.2 258.3 240.1 354.5	57.9 55.8 44.9 49.5 65.3 65.8 64.2 75.9 86.8 57.8 60.2	77.9 82.4 65.6 82.7 75.9 71.7 63.4 79.7 86.7 69.7 66.8	82.8 112.5 69.2 82.4 82.1 95.1 82.7 97.4 86.7 87.0 161.4	118.8 112.5 102.1 99.1 151.3 148.4 106.9 41.9 133.8 127.2 116.9	57.8 38.0 51.3 51.8 57.5 40.5 42.7 46.8 50.7 41.4 30.4	52.9 47.5 54.8 60.5 59.7 42.9 47.0 55.6 58.5 52.9 41.3	51.8 47.3 76.9 52.1 45.2 41.1 65.6 72.9 69.9 59.5 52.9	70.4 74.4 34.6 67.5 70.1 57.5 55.6 68.6 44.8 64.5 81.6	38.8 39.0 34.6 51.5 37.7 55.0 58.1 71.5 56.0 41.8 49.6	56.0 59.2 55.0 56.8 55.0 55.3 58.1 55.5 61.1 55.5 48.2

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TABLE 1.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE, BY CAUSE

ITEM	EAST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION					WEST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION	
	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Iowa
1 Farms operated, Census of 1940—number	238,783	184,549	213,439	187,589	186,735	197,551	213,318
2 All land in farms—acres	21,907,523	19,800,778	31,052,572	18,037,995	22,876,494	32,606,982	34,148,673
3 Average per farm—acres	95.7	107.3	145.4	96.2	122.5	165.2	160.1
4 Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—number	5,790	1,985	1,205	5,904	2,036	1,169	98
5 Reporting acreage—number	5,781	1,981	1,205	5,890	2,026	1,164	95
6 Land in these farms—acres	307,134	112,505	92,010	328,953	171,796	100,180	5,455
7 Average per farm—acres	53.1	58.8	76.5	55.8	84.8	86.1	57.2
8 Not reporting acreage—number	9	4	2	14	10	5	3
9 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—number	5,084	1,748	1,075	5,143	1,845	1,076	69
10 acres	264,069	100,781	81,866	287,088	155,462	95,401	5,145
11 Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—number	160	38	106	177	146	69	6
12 acres	15,762	5,478	28,890	18,136	14,297	10,069	277
13 Converted to nonagricultural uses—number	682	105	98	493	66	25	4
14 acres	45,483	7,623	7,169	33,791	4,845	1,465	202
15 Land condition or other physical or natural factors—number	1,535	869	445	1,918	748	459	42
16 acres	85,714	50,484	28,070	107,786	64,680	41,455	2,854
17 Physical condition or death of operator—number	680	131	65	625	179	102	9
18 acres	25,170	6,519	2,264	31,653	14,480	7,285	179
19 Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—number	1,011	232	124	1,117	258	162	8
20 acres	34,221	8,471	3,064	48,125	18,118	10,876	266
21 No tenant or insufficient labor—number	399	119	103	187	125	50	5
22 acres	22,022	7,258	6,209	9,494	11,886	4,470	267
23 Financial or legal difficulties—number	140	39	22	162	95	68	3
24 acres	9,853	2,977	839	10,960	9,418	5,494	280
25 Other economic reasons for nonoperation—number	524	107	62	256	173	106	5
26 acres	17,638	4,375	2,718	13,068	13,954	7,274	428
27 Other miscellaneous reasons—number	153	110	50	208	55	35	7
28 acres	8,195	7,621	2,643	14,054	4,334	5,015	511
29 No reason or reason insufficient for classification—number	697	233	128	747	181	88	6
30 acres	43,065	11,724	10,144	41,885	16,334	6,779	290
31 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—number	4,843	1,786	1,021	4,903	1,864	1,064	86
32 acres	247,961	102,190	65,079	265,239	157,043	85,993	5,190
33 1958—number	980	410	258	982	452	375	33
34 acres	54,144	24,029	15,944	55,518	35,799	32,351	2,105
35 1957—number	705	280	204	712	313	186	23
36 acres	54,555	15,802	14,784	41,197	28,935	13,837	1,355
37 1956—number	575	213	127	617	320	155	7
38 acres	27,993	10,258	8,234	55,270	30,302	13,291	262
39 1955—number	830	273	159	809	234	118	9
40 acres	42,039	14,807	8,601	41,031	17,400	9,665	585
41 1954—number	540	130	54	355	162	45	8
42 acres	19,980	9,176	3,270	18,952	16,994	4,275	481
43 1953—number	202	76	30	208	56	27	2
44 acres	9,070	4,780	1,143	12,250	4,854	1,355	192
45 1952—number	279	83	41	294	99	56	1
46 acres	12,005	7,123	5,211	15,259	7,493	4,053	40
47 1951—number	171	50	19	154	48	29	1
48 acres	7,656	3,454	646	8,329	3,657	1,584	80
49 1950—number	783	261	151	794	180	73	2
50 acres	40,519	12,846	5,246	39,433	13,529	5,602	60
51 Year of abandonment not reported—number	958	195	182	987	162	100	9
52 acres	58,173	10,315	28,931	68,714	14,753	14,187	255
Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by cause of nonoperation:							
Reporting cause of nonoperation—acres	51.9	57.7	76.2	55.8	84.3	86.8	57.8
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—acres	98.5	144.0	272.5	102.5	97.9	145.9	46.2
Converted to nonagricultural uses—acres	66.7	74.0	75.2	68.5	73.4	58.6	70.5
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—acres	55.8	58.1	65.1	56.2	86.5	90.3	68.0
Physical condition or death of operator—acres	37.0	49.8	34.8	50.6	80.9	71.4	18.9
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—acres	33.8	36.5	24.7	43.1	70.2	87.1	33.2
No tenant or insufficient labor—acres	55.2	60.8	60.3	50.8	90.7	89.4	53.4
Financial or legal difficulties—acres	70.4	78.3	58.1	67.7	99.1	80.8	93.3
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—acres	54.4	40.9	43.8	51.1	80.7	68.6	85.8
Other miscellaneous reasons—acres	53.8	69.3	52.9	67.6	78.8	143.3	44.4
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—acres	61.8	50.3	79.2	56.1	90.2	77.0	48.3
Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by year of abandonment:							
Reporting year of abandonment—acres	51.2	57.2	61.8	54.1	84.3	80.8	60.2
1958—acres	56.4	58.6	62.3	55.6	79.2	88.5	63.8
1957—acres	49.0	55.7	72.5	57.9	86.1	74.4	58.9
1956—acres	48.9	48.3	64.8	57.2	94.9	85.7	57.4
1955—acres	50.6	54.2	54.1	50.7	74.4	81.9	65.0
1954—acres	58.8	70.6	60.6	53.7	104.9	95.0	60.1
1953—acres	44.9	62.8	58.1	58.9	86.7	50.2	96.0
1952—acres	43.0	76.6	127.1	51.9	75.7	72.0	40.0
1951—acres	44.8	69.1	34.0	54.1	76.2	54.8	80.0
1950—acres	51.7	49.6	40.0	49.7	75.2	76.7	40.0
Not reporting year of abandonment—acres	63.1	52.9	159.0	64.6	91.1	141.9	28.3

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OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT; AND AVERAGE ACREAGE; BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

WEST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Continued					SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION							
Missouri	North Dakota	South Dakota	Nebraska	Kansas	Delaware	Maryland	District of Columbia	Virginia	West Virginia	North Carolina	South Carolina	
256,100 34,739,598 135,6	72,962 37,936,186 512,9	72,454 39,473,584 544,8	121,062 47,345,981 391,1	156,827 48,178,635 808,2	8,994 895,507 99,6	42,110 4,197,827 99,7	65 2,541 56,0	174,885 18,444,907 .94,0	99,282 8,908,805 89,7	278,276 18,845,558 67,7	157,558 11,255,597 81,7	1 2 3
1,698 1,688 1,565 124,539 73,8 10	1,368 1,368 1,368 295,831 215,3 5	954 951 173 190,544 200,4 5	173 173 466 142,928 223,4 —	466 466 258 21,700 306,5 —	2,192 2,181 15 113,224 51,9 11	15 15 15 585 22,5 —	2,472 2,465 161,118 161,118 65,4 9	1,359 1,348 124,616 90,840 92,4 11	1,389 1,383 90,840 70,828 71,5 6	716 712 5 70,828 99,5 4	4 5 6 7 8 9	
1,485 106,611	1,176 248,468	856 173,302	169 38,286	421 132,937	284 20,527	1,525 68,981	15 355	2,238 141,529	1,162 104,527	1,176 78,057	665 67,187	9 10
12 3,258 106 8,964	64 18,140 150 26,434	83 23,188 58 11,539	2 122 8 1,377	1 3,560 22 5,252	14 892 92 3,240	3 43 3 168	17 5,028 100 16,105	42 11,808 52 6,548	8 2,727 57 3,014	56 7,722 19 5,108	11 12 13 14	
654 50,457 135 6,773	711 152,828 13 2,210	584 116,295 8 1,560	132 24,309 1 160	284 95,143 12 1,466	59 7,176 33 1,710	525 24,913 162 6,877	2 16 — —	617 56,641 290 18,196	478 37,508 120 8,884	568 24,018 98 4,700	208 17,988 85 6,602	15 16 17 18
277 13,280 79 6,189	38 6,597 97 22,468	31 4,045 58 9,818	4 275 10 1,251	77 20,758 26 5,492	55 1,888 33 1,560	237 9,027 173 8,035	6 108 — —	659 20,078 257 17,510	219 12,493 95 7,611	183 8,294 201 16,492	107 11,509 99 10,021	19 20 21 22
39 3,800 109 6,797 94 7,563	39 7,600 37 6,065 31 6,826	16 4,290 21 2,457 2 320	5 4,416 3 897 4 5,241	8 2,074 20 2,744 7 1,802	55 1,888 20 5,896 3 208	55 9,027 173 8,035	55 100 1 1 1 —	65 7,369 206 8,601 92 6,206	70 13,162 58 2,917 92 5,398	70 5,978 168 10,205 280 2,642	42 2,550 60 7,204 9 403	25 24 25 26 27 28
205 17,928	187 45,363	95 17,242	4 364	45 9,889	20 1,173	656 44,285	— —	225 18,589	186 20,289	207 19,783	47 5,841	29 30
1,469 107,168 358 27,459	1,150 240,003 192 38,489	899 178,510 228 41,517	165 37,764 58 9,798	351 104,507 89 23,241	255 20,983 56 3,417	1,564 73,042 355 13,960	15 335 3 61	2,282 151,445 480 20,891	1,219 99,359 285 20,604	1,518 92,755 290 19,631	677 67,355 147 12,999	81 58 33 84
285 18,690 200 12,597	242 51,641 237 50,216	164 30,684 158 5,523	33 11,327 24 30,291	67 24,294 56 5,151	39 2,518 40 5,151	285 12,908 225 11,406	1 12 2 54	409 22,117 320 21,086	210 14,788 320 23,378	268 16,849 12,007 13,225	140 12,007 98 10,140	35 36 37 38
243 16,503 103 8,487	171 39,459 104 28,983	122 25,516 71 15,716	18 2,178 11 2,356	52 11,471 15 6,290	39 2,856 12,414 101	258 12,414 101	2 101	346 21,311 11,610	151 15,254 83 6,441	151 15,254 72 5,627	107 9,375 48 8,408	89 40 41 42
50 3,991 68 8,758	61 12,616 40 7,205	41 8,341 58 13,173	2 1,120 6 476	7 661 11 2,581	6 5,108 22 4,402	60 5,108 1 4,565	60 — 1 5	92 6,378 187 9,259	58 2,984 84 6,206	49 3,288 71 5,000	18 2,012 24 2,707	43 44 45 46
34 2,947 126 7,756	18 8,566 65 12,909	9 1,196 47 10,010	2 84 9 5,882	6 1,654 13 5,885	2 1,795 14 1,176	58 1,795 160 7,947	1 25 3 65	65 4,955 286 29,002	47 3,447 136 10,023	44 5,176 124 8,728	22 1,440 75 8,744	47 48 49 50
219 17,371	235 53,828	52 12,234	10 886	135 38,319	21 717	617 40,172	— —	181 9,675	129 25,257	65 8,085	56 2,995	51 52
71.8	210.9	202.5	226.5	315.8	87.7	45.2	22.3	63.2	89.8	67.2	101.0	53
271.5 84.6	285.4 178.2	279.4 198.9	180.0 172.1	122.0 250.1	593.5 70.5	85.7 55.2	14.3 56.3	178.1 181.0	281.1 125.9	340.8 52.9	214.5 163.6	54 55
79.8 50.2	214.7 170.0	199.1 170.0	184.2 160.0	360.4 122.2	121.6 51.8	47.5 56.7	8.0 —	59.4 55.8	78.5 74.0	65.3 48.1	86.5 77.7	56 57
47.8 78.3 82.3 62.4 78.3	183.2 231.6 194.9 163.9 204.1	150.5 185.2 267.5 117.0 160.0	68.8 121.2 88.2 299.0 1,810.2	269.5 47.3 345.7 119.0 257.4	54.5 46.4 41.3 57.8 69.5	38.1 45.6 71.9 86.4 74.6	17.2 — — — 4.0	52.0 67.4 73.7 46.8 67.5	57.0 80.1 208.9 55.0 84.9	50.8 82.0 85.5 62.8 94.4	107.6 101.2 60.7 120.1 55.7	58 59 60 61 62
88.3	242.6	181.5	91.0	219.8	58.6	67.4	—	87.1	108.1	95.6	77.5	65
73.0 76.7 65.6 63.0 67.9 82.4 79.8 128.5 86.7 60.6 79.3	212.4 200.5 213.0 186.7 217.8 192.8 212.4 206.8 180.1 199.2 198.6 229.1	198.3 180.4 186.7 186.7 230.1 192.8 212.4 203.4 180.1 132.9 213.0 235.3	231.7 168.9 343.2 362.6 540.9 120.0 220.8 209.7 160.0 227.1 42.0 655.6 88.6	315.7 261.1 343.2 362.6 128.8 50.7 57.8 89.1 110.2 79.3 275.7 32.5 84.0 34.1	90.1 61.0 64.6 64.6 128.8 50.7 57.8 89.1 110.2 200.1 47.2 21.0 65.1	46.7 39.3 45.6 45.6 50.7 50.7 48.1 50.5 51.8 55.7 28.0 49.7 53.4	82.3 20.3 12.0 54.1 27.0 65.9 61.6 63.0 — 5.0 78.7 21.0 53.4	66.4 62.8 70.4 70.4 65.9 72.0 76.2 77.8 81.5 75.9 78.5 78.7 101.4 78.0	81.5 72.8 62.9 62.9 125.0 67.1 78.5 77.8 70.4 75.9 75.5 70.4 117.6 70.4 195.8	70.4 65.7 62.9 62.9 105.6 67.1 78.5 78.2 100.2 88.4 85.5 65.8 117.6 70.4 93.6 85.6	64 65 66 66 67 67 68 68 69 71 72 73 74	

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	ITEM	SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION—Continued		EAST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION				WEST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION	
		Georgia	Florida	Kentucky	Tennessee	Alabama	Mississippi	Arkansas	Louisiana
1	Farms operated, Census of 1940—number	216,053	62,248	252,894	247,617	251,746	291,092	216,674	150,007
2	All land in farms—acres	23,683,651	8,337,708	20,294,016	18,492,898	19,143,391	19,156,058	18,044,542	9,996,108
3	Average per farm—acres	109.6	133.9	109.2	74.7	82.6	65.8	83.3	66.6
4	Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—number	1,928	1,194	1,236	1,116	543	416	1,526	762
5	Reporting acreage—number	1,917	1,191	1,235	1,109	539	401	1,522	758
6	Land in these farms—acres	225,099	61,822	80,671	57,282	52,770	26,102	111,596	36,745
7	Average per farm—acres	117.4	51.7	65.3	51.7	60.8	65.1	73.2	48.5
8	Not reporting acreage—number	11	3	1	7	4	15	4	4
9	Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—number	1,509	1,067	1,145	985	489	388	1,447	705
10	Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—number	148,267	54,027	73,252	52,691	29,048	24,520	105,834	34,375
11	Converted to nonagricultural uses—number	947	2,021	2,189	3,654	80	924	8,005	122
12	Land condition or other physical or natural factors—number	69	20	27	44	24	16	28	13
13	Physical condition or death of operator—number	8,015	413	1,351	2,293	2,301	1,836	2,241	904
14	Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—number	527	353	502	369	128	101	683	165
15	Financial or legal difficulties—number	60,102	11,483	31,048	20,582	9,079	7,859	49,643	9,827
16	Other economic reasons for nonoperation—number	144	215	73	103	66	47	96	149
17	Other miscellaneous reasons—number	9,539	22,220	3,089	4,563	2,434	1,563	6,666	6,817
18	No reason or reason insufficient for classification—number	255	195	191	186	92	91	205	159
19	No tenant or insufficient labor—number	18,078	8,174	12,680	7,887	3,793	5,035	12,897	6,119
20	Acres	270	50	100	72	79	41	83	76
21	Acres	28,257	1,990	7,219	4,659	5,814	2,793	5,871	4,137
22	Acres	76,832	7,595	7,419	4,691	3,722	1,582	5,562	2,568
23	Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—number	1,780	1,182	1,184	1,052	515	392	1,455	740
24	Acres	194,040	58,948	77,695	55,430	51,407	25,277	107,824	35,933
25	1938—number	397	253	325	317	137	123	315	157
26	Acres	42,917	10,704	21,561	16,153	8,040	8,647	22,220	6,108
27	1937—number	361	168	235	192	104	79	268	165
28	Acres	34,006	5,129	14,346	9,465	5,371	3,960	19,344	8,708
29	1936—number	253	167	147	166	98	59	245	111
30	Acres	21,984	6,492	8,139	9,171	5,420	3,836	16,664	5,245
31	1935—number	290	184	157	125	73	48	219	88
32	Acres	32,878	20,155	12,276	6,190	5,117	3,027	17,411	4,047
33	1934—number	105	92	83	68	26	35	117	84
34	Acres	10,584	3,694	4,475	3,122	2,069	1,890	9,518	2,805
35	1933—number	48	42	38	57	16	11	72	58
36	Acres	3,995	1,019	3,948	998	864	472	5,960	2,560
37	1932—number	89	77	49	43	19	18	86	55
38	Acres	8,514	3,778	3,504	4,945	1,307	1,063	5,384	5,068
39	1931—number	28	58	38	25	4	6	50	18
40	Acres	5,431	3,137	2,482	1,290	315	903	3,402	635
41	1930—number	188	111	112	79	58	18	85	46
42	Acres	35,931	4,840	6,964	4,116	2,904	1,479	7,921	2,759
43	Year of abandonment not reported—number	157	59	51	57	24	9	67	18
44	Acres	31,059	2,674	2,976	1,852	1,363	825	3,572	610
45	Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by cause of nonoperation:								
46	Reporting cause of nonoperation—acres	98.3	50.6	64.0	53.5	59.4	65.2	78.1	48.8
47	Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—acres	86.1	65.2	104.2	106.9	40.0	57.8	106.7	24.4
48	Converted to nonagricultural uses—acres	116.2	20.6	50.0	52.1	95.9	114.8	80.0	69.5
49	Land condition or other physical or natural factors—acres	114.0	34.5	61.8	55.2	70.9	75.8	72.7	59.6
50	Physical condition or death of operator—acres	66.2	103.5	42.3	44.3	36.9	33.3	69.4	45.8
51	Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—acres	70.9	41.9	66.4	59.7	41.2	55.5	62.9	38.5
52	No tenant or insufficient labor—acres	104.7	39.8	72.2	64.7	73.6	68.1	70.7	54.4
53	Financial or legal difficulties—acres	117.6	88.9	99.4	60.0	48.0	70.4	66.2	41.2
54	Other economic reasons for nonoperation—acres	85.9	52.9	68.9	58.1	58.3	54.1	76.7	49.8
55	Other miscellaneous reasons—acres	154.0	30.8	51.3	49.8	72.5	92.0	70.0	9.5
56	No reason or reason insufficient for classification—acres	188.3	61.2	82.4	37.0	74.4	121.7	74.2	44.7
57	Average acreage per abandoned or idle farm by year of abandonment:								
58	Reporting year of abandonment—acres	110.2	52.1	65.6	52.7	61.0	64.5	74.1	48.6
59	1939—acres	108.1	42.3	66.3	50.9	58.7	70.3	70.5	38.9
60	1937—acres	94.2	30.5	61.0	49.3	51.6	50.1	72.2	52.8
61	1936—acres	86.9	58.9	55.4	55.2	55.3	65.0	68.6	47.3
62	1935—acres	113.4	109.5	78.2	49.5	70.1	65.1	79.5	46.0
63	1934—acres	100.8	40.2	53.9	45.9	79.6	54.0	81.4	43.8
64	1933—acres	81.5	24.3	103.9	27.0	54.0	42.9	82.8	71.1
65	1932—acres	95.7	49.1	71.5	115.0	68.8	59.1	62.6	55.8
66	1931—acres	115.4	82.6	65.3	51.6	78.8	150.5	68.0	35.2
67	1930—acres	191.1	45.6	62.2	52.1	76.4	113.8	93.2	60.0
68	Not reporting year of abandonment—acres	197.8	45.3	58.4	32.5	56.8	91.7	53.3	45.0

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WEST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Continued		MOUNTAIN DIVISION								PACIFIC DIVISION			
Oklahoma	Texas	Montana	Idaho	Wyoming	Colorado	New Mexico	Arizona	Utah	Nevada	Washington	Oregon	California	
179,687	418,002	41,823	43,663	15,018	51,436	54,106	18,468	25,411	8,573	61,686	61,829	182,658	1
54,805,317	137,686,372	46,451,594	10,297,745	28,025,978	31,527,240	38,860,427	25,651,092	7,802,007	8,785,108	16,181,815	17,968,307	50,524,524	2
193.7	329.4	1,110.7	235.8	1,066.2	612.9	1,139.4	1,388.9	287.4	1,059.4	185.9	290.9	280.1	3
655	1,289	1,056	245	81	1,264	495	268	283	65	1,456	497	1,276	4
638	1,239	1,055	242	81	1,256	495	264	283	65	1,451	492	1,257	5
110,056	99,623	385,976	55,555	16,518	397,750	523,322	28,900	27,328	20,198	68,490	44,411	71,858	6
172.5	80.4	365.6	146.0	205.9	316.7	653.2	101.5	96.6	310.7	47.9	90.3	57.2	7
17	—	—	3	—	8	—	4	—	—	5	6	19	8
591	1,181	1,014	226	76	1,056	424	250	242	61	1,286	428	1,102	9
104,725	95,167	373,305	32,947	15,288	531,656	284,659	22,693	24,563	19,108	62,220	51,765	65,980	10
40	—	130	15	2	25	35	4	7	—	36	—	7	11
15,210	—	61,758	7,773	200	30,340	12,869	167	458	—	2,055	—	678	12
45	135	42	8	9	32	5	2	3	1	60	25	169	13
9,725	10,518	8,207	5,766	2,880	7,847	1,165	95	91	160	1,733	3,511	4,712	14
380	467	587	114	51	841	169	112	171	43	303	109	311	15
70,004	42,601	201,175	11,902	8,998	226,690	48,255	12,917	19,989	15,075	21,595	9,427	22,154	16
20	153	40	20	3	52	19	29	15	3	225	64	116	17
1,156	5,406	8,118	954	599	5,357	2,775	2,098	558	228	6,522	6,158	5,201	18
36	190	52	24	5	50	81	42	8	6	205	96	137	19
2,646	18,526	10,579	2,240	1,460	11,978	10,906	3,407	453	1,085	7,846	4,972	6,888	20
10	91	17	3	1	9	7	1	4	—	41	12	46	21
800	5,474	5,023	350	160	2,045	4,278	640	880	—	2,841	1,211	9,093	22
6	28	46	12	1	23	10	5	15	6	76	35	59	23
535	8,800	21,003	761	220	10,100	611	298	1,381	2,060	2,755	2,461	3,049	24
41	114	108	22	3	39	69	23	17	1	240	52	211	25
3,051	7,449	55,237	1,601	760	35,541	10,740	2,228	683	320	9,178	8,872	10,813	26
15	23	10	9	1	6	9	12	4	1	100	35	47	27
1,600	1,595	2,407	1,580	160	2,260	193,060	852	69	180	6,592	1,133	1,594	28
47	56	42	17	5	200	71	34	41	4	145	64	155	29
5,531	4,456	10,671	2,388	1,280	65,894	38,663	4,107	2,763	1,090	6,270	12,646	7,859	50
554	1,158	974	222	80	1,121	440	241	253	57	1,352	431	1,095	31
95,540	91,004	369,042	38,729	16,878	521,095	286,440	24,568	25,876	19,178	64,319	36,010	65,023	32
95	269	145	56	13	199	156	64	49	4	535	95	236	33
9,558	22,954	44,789	5,613	2,724	53,292	226,221	6,982	4,775	630	12,964	5,167	17,577	34
113	192	124	40	15	168	99	46	58	9	215	66	191	35
30,086	15,799	40,458	4,658	3,354	46,760	20,209	5,148	3,400	2,420	7,806	2,889	10,553	36
60	145	157	35	12	197	71	30	20	6	186	59	132	37
8,629	10,043	62,312	13,500	2,769	64,598	23,597	4,311	1,408	2,280	8,158	4,289	6,225	50
95	182	139	26	15	208	42	41	58	10	202	64	201	39
18,047	12,439	53,775	2,857	2,334	58,950	9,875	5,899	8,401	2,296	11,789	7,204	10,585	40
44	77	97	19	14	127	21	15	21	2	80	28	67	41
10,274	11,558	35,809	2,007	2,502	56,341	9,138	440	2,490	267	6,826	2,284	5,540	42
20	55	86	8	1	70	9	12	15	4	54	19	45	43
6,680	3,603	38,751	802	85	18,922	1,643	591	1,579	680	2,472	1,721	2,093	44
41	65	115	12	4	54	16	11	36	5	69	26	67	45
6,001	3,708	56,581	1,344	900	14,751	2,183	688	4,367	1,865	4,426	2,909	4,634	46
19	54	49	10	1	42	8	5	8	2	34	24	37	47
2,245	4,598	17,053	1,060	320	10,945	1,026	289	848	8	2,182	2,096	3,187	48
47	121	84	5	6	66	20	17	28	15	157	52	121	49
6,020	6,324	19,554	1,708	960	16,566	2,800	2,220	3,610	8,532	7,706	6,731	4,649	50
104	81	82	20	1	155	55	23	30	8	90	61	182	51
14,516	8,619	14,984	1,606	640	76,657	26,882	2,232	1,450	1,020	4,171	8,401	6,816	52
177.2	80.6	368.2	146.4	200.5	514.3	671.4	98.7	101.6	513.2	48.4	74.2	58.1	53
380.2	—	475.1	597.9	100.0	1,213.6	367.7	41.8	85.6	—	57.1	—	96.6	54
226.1	77.9	195.4	725.2	520.0	245.2	233.0	42.5	30.3	160.0	28.9	140.4	27.9	55
184.2	91.2	354.8	104.4	176.5	289.5	255.3	115.5	116.9	850.6	71.3	88.5	71.2	56
57.8	40.6	205.0	47.7	133.0	167.4	146.1	72.5	41.4	76.0	37.9	80.8	44.8	57
73.6	70.1	199.6	93.5	292.0	233.5	134.8	81.1	58.6	180.8	88.8	51.8	50.3	58
80.0	60.2	295.5	114.7	160.0	227.2	611.1	640.0	220.0	—	54.7	100.9	202.1	59
88.8	514.3	437.6	65.1	220.0	459.1	61.1	59.8	92.1	843.3	38.2	70.9	51.7	60
74.4	65.3	611.5	72.8	255.5	911.3	155.7	96.9	40.2	320.0	38.2	74.5	51.2	61
108.7	69.3	240.7	175.5	160.0	452.0	21,451.1	71.0	22.2	180.0	65.9	32.4	29.7	62
113.4	76.8	254.1	140.5	256.0	329.5	544.5	120.8	67.4	272.5	43.2	197.6	50.7	63
178.9	78.6	378.9	151.9	195.5	286.4	673.7	101.9	102.3	336.5	48.3	85.5	59.4	64
100.6	85.3	308.9	105.8	209.5	282.0	1,450.1	109.1	97.4	207.5	59.7	55.6	74.5	65
266.2	82.3	526.1	116.4	222.3	278.3	204.1	111.9	89.5	268.9	58.3	42.9	56.3	66
143.8	70.2	398.9	409.1	280.8	327.8	332.4	145.7	70.4	380.0	43.9	72.7	47.2	67
168.9	68.3	386.9	109.1	155.6	285.4	250.4	95.1	89.5	229.6	58.4	112.6	58.7	68
233.5	149.8	368.2	105.6	176.7	286.1	435.0	29.3	118.6	133.6	85.5	80.9	82.7	69
334.0	65.5	450.6	100.2	35.0	270.3	182.6	49.2	105.3	165.0	45.8	90.6	48.7	70
146.4	57.0	500.7	112.0	225.0	272.8	135.3	62.5	121.3	377.0	64.1	111.9	60.2	71
115.2	85.1	347.6	106.0	320.0	260.6	171.0	57.8	105.8	4.0	64.2	120.7	85.6	72
128.1	52.3	305.5	94.9	192.0	251.0	140.0	180.6	128.9	568.8	49.1	129.4	58.4	73
139.6	106.4	182.1	80.3	640.0	567.8	488.8	97.0	48.3	127.5	42.1	137.7	42.1	74

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TABLE 2.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF FARMS AND ACREAGE, BY CAUSE

ITEM	UNITED STATES	GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS										NEW ENGLAND DIVISION	
		New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Maine	New Hampshire	
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION													
1 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2 Reporting cause of nonoperation—percent	88.5	89.2	89.0	88.2	88.4	88.7	91.6	94.4	88.9	88.6	87.5	87.5	92.6
3 Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—percent	2.8	1.5	2.7	3.7	4.0	1.5	2.2	2.9	5.8	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.9
4 Converted to nonagricultural uses—percent	7.7	14.5	9.1	8.5	6.3	3.8	3.4	5.3	2.7	8.0	7.7	7.7	21.5
5 Land condition or other physical or natural factors—percent	50.4	20.6	22.5	32.7	47.9	27.2	33.5	40.8	55.8	22.7	24.5	24.5	18.2
6 Physical condition or death of operator—percent	11.2	16.4	14.4	10.0	4.7	10.2	8.8	9.6	4.2	12.7	17.2	17.2	18.4
7 Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—percent	15.9	18.9	18.5	16.2	10.1	15.8	17.1	14.2	7.2	13.8	18.1	18.1	19.7
8 No tenant or insufficient labor—percent	6.2	2.0	7.0	5.5	5.4	10.3	8.9	6.3	1.1	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.1
9 Financial or legal difficulties—percent	3.7	4.6	4.2	2.7	3.0	4.0	3.4	2.8	3.2	5.3	5.5	5.5	2.9
10 Other economic reasons for nonoperation—percent	7.6	7.1	7.8	5.5	4.9	8.2	8.9	10.7	7.5	15.8	6.3	6.3	5.4
11 Other miscellaneous reasons—percent	5.2	3.7	2.8	5.4	5.0	2.7	5.4	2.0	1.4	5.7	5.8	5.8	2.4
12 No reason or reason insufficient for classification—percent	11.5	10.8	11.0	11.8	10.6	16.3	8.4	5.6	11.1	11.4	12.5	12.5	7.4
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT													
13 Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
14 Reporting year of abandonment—percent	87.7	86.1	85.4	87.1	89.0	95.7	93.5	90.5	89.9	88.5	92.2	92.2	
15 1938—percent	16.4	16.9	15.1	18.0	22.6	19.7	27.5	20.1	18.1	20.9	16.9	16.9	17.8
16 1937—percent	14.1	11.1	12.2	15.1	16.9	16.4	18.6	17.8	14.4	14.8	10.8	10.8	10.6
17 1936—percent	11.7	9.9	10.4	11.0	14.2	15.0	14.5	15.4	14.1	11.9	10.1	10.1	9.4
18 1935—percent	15.5	13.1	13.5	13.7	12.4	13.7	12.3	14.0	15.9	14.7	13.0	13.0	16.3
19 1934—percent	6.4	6.3	6.5	6.2	6.3	5.9	6.5	7.3	8.4	5.5	7.3	7.3	7.4
20 1933—percent	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.1	4.4	5.5	3.6	4.1	2.7	
21 1932—percent	5.7	7.0	6.8	4.8	4.1	5.1	3.9	5.9	6.7	5.1	7.3	7.3	7.2
22 1931—percent	5.1	4.4	3.8	2.6	1.7	2.5	2.2	3.4	5.3	3.0	5.3	4.4	
23 1930—percent	11.2	15.8	14.1	12.7	5.7	9.6	7.4	7.2	6.2	10.4	13.8	16.8	
24 Year of abandonment not reported—percent	12.3	15.9	14.6	12.9	11.0	4.8	6.5	9.5	10.1	11.5	7.8	7.8	
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ACREAGE IN ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION													
25 Acreage reported in abandoned or idle farms—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
26 In farms reporting cause of nonoperation—percent	87.9	90.9	88.9	87.8	89.1	78.0	91.2	95.0	89.7	85.5	90.0	93.6	
27 Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—percent	8.2	2.9	6.0	8.2	8.2	3.7	3.5	6.5	9.2	1.5	4.5	2.8	
28 Converted to nonagricultural uses—percent	7.3	17.1	10.2	9.8	6.2	4.8	4.0	6.5	2.1	5.4	7.0	21.1	
29 Land condition or other physical or natural factors—percent	84.9	21.0	23.0	33.3	53.9	25.1	34.6	48.1	44.5	28.8	23.1	18.2	
30 Physical condition or death of operator—percent	7.2	14.6	12.1	7.9	2.2	8.7	5.9	5.6	1.7	10.2	17.0	16.4	
31 Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—percent	9.9	14.3	14.3	11.1	6.3	11.4	14.7	9.8	5.4	10.5	17.5	14.2	
32 No tenant or insufficient labor—percent	5.5	1.8	7.4	5.6	5.6	10.4	10.4	4.6	1.1	6.8	2.6	1.6	
33 Financial or legal difficulties—percent	4.1	6.3	5.5	3.4	3.1	4.8	4.5	5.9	3.0	4.5	6.3	10.8	
34 Other economic reasons for nonoperation—percent	5.8	8.6	8.9	5.1	2.8	6.4	9.0	8.4	8.7	12.9	7.4	6.7	
35 Other miscellaneous reasons—percent	5.9	4.3	3.7	3.6	2.8	4.8	1.7	16.3	4.9	4.5	2.0		
36 No reason or reason insufficient for classification—percent	12.1	9.1	11.1	12.2	10.9	22.0	8.8	5.0	10.5	14.5	10.0	6.4	
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ACREAGE IN ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT													
37 Acreage reported in abandoned or idle farms—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
38 In farms reporting year of abandonment—percent	87.1	88.7	88.4	82.5	84.7	86.5	95.4	92.3	89.8	89.5	89.9	88.7	
39 1938—percent	20.0	17.9	16.0	18.1	19.5	17.5	27.6	17.0	28.1	19.3	18.1	17.5	
40 1937—percent	13.4	10.9	12.6	13.1	16.9	13.7	16.8	20.7	10.3	11.5	12.2	8.5	
41 1936—percent	12.4	9.6	10.2	11.1	16.4	12.8	13.6	11.3	14.2	10.1	10.8	8.3	
42 1935—percent	12.8	14.4	12.4	12.2	11.5	14.3	13.5	14.0	11.1	16.0	12.5	15.2	
43 1934—percent	6.7	6.8	6.2	6.8	6.9	5.6	5.9	9.5	7.2	7.9	6.9	7.6	
44 1933—percent	5.7	5.5	5.8	5.2	5.1	2.7	3.2	5.3	5.1	3.4	5.4	2.5	
45 1932—percent	5.7	7.0	6.6	4.7	4.0	5.1	5.5	5.1	6.7	6.5	7.5	6.7	
46 1931—percent	2.9	4.8	4.0	2.3	1.2	2.7	2.5	3.0	2.6	4.5	6.0	4.2	
47 1930—percent	9.5	14.0	13.6	11.0	5.1	12.1	7.9	6.4	4.5	10.3	12.5	16.3	
48 Year of abandonment not reported—percent	12.9	11.5	13.6	17.5	15.3	13.5	8.6	7.7	10.2	10.5	10.1	13.3	

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NEW ENGLAND DIVISION—Continued				MIDDLE ATLANTIC DIVISION			EAST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION					WEST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION					
Vermont	Massa-chu-setts	Rhode Island	Connect-i-cut	New York	New Jersey	Penn-syl-vania	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Michigan	Wiscon-sin	Minne-sota	Iowa	Mis-souri	North Dakota	South Dakota	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
91.8	89.8	83.5	88.0	87.6	88.8	90.0	87.9	88.2	89.4	87.3	91.1	92.4	93.7	88.0	86.3	80.0	
3.1	0.4	—	0.8	5.9	0.8	0.9	2.8	1.9	8.8	3.0	7.2	5.9	6.3	0.7	4.7	8.7	
23.6	11.6	11.8	18.5	10.0	8.8	8.5	11.8	5.2	8.1	8.4	5.3	2.1	4.2	6.8	11.0	8.1	
24.5	18.1	10.9	18.2	20.7	18.5	24.5	26.6	45.9	37.0	32.6	36.9	39.4	44.2	37.6	52.1	61.4	
7.1	20.2	23.0	13.3	13.3	17.2	14.7	11.8	6.8	5.4	10.6	8.8	8.8	9.5	8.0	1.0	0.8	
10.3	25.0	23.4	16.8	17.2	19.0	19.2	17.5	11.7	10.3	19.0	12.7	13.9	8.4	16.4	2.6	3.5	
2.0	0.9	0.2	3.1	6.6	3.5	7.9	6.9	6.0	8.6	3.2	6.2	4.3	5.3	4.7	7.1	5.6	
4.7	3.4	7.8	5.1	2.9	7.2	4.6	2.4	2.0	1.8	2.8	4.7	5.8	3.2	2.5	2.9	1.7	
11.7	6.0	5.6	8.0	7.4	11.9	7.3	5.6	5.4	5.2	4.3	8.5	9.1	5.3	6.5	2.7	2.2	
4.8	4.2	0.6	4.3	3.6	1.9	2.5	2.6	5.6	4.2	3.5	2.7	3.0	7.4	5.6	2.3	0.2	
8.2	10.2	16.5	12.0	12.4	11.2	10.0	12.1	11.8	10.6	12.7	8.9	7.6	6.3	12.0	13.7	10.0	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
95.4	76.6	74.9	86.1	88.4	85.0	84.8	83.8	80.2	84.9	82.0	91.4	90.5	87.0	82.8	94.5	14	
22.5	13.7	14.4	16.0	15.6	14.3	14.9	16.6	20.7	21.8	16.3	22.3	32.2	34.7	21.2	14.1	24.1	15
14.6	10.6	8.8	9.9	12.8	12.3	11.8	12.2	14.1	17.0	12.1	16.4	16.0	24.2	16.8	17.7	17.2	
11.5	9.9	8.8	8.6	10.0	10.5	10.7	9.8	10.8	10.6	10.5	15.8	13.8	7.4	11.8	17.4	16.6	
15.0	11.8	10.9	10.8	14.5	14.3	12.7	14.4	13.8	13.2	13.7	11.5	10.1	9.5	14.4	12.5	12.8	
5.6	4.8	4.5	7.2	6.3	6.2	6.7	5.9	6.6	4.5	6.0	8.0	3.9	8.4	6.1	7.6	7.5	
4.8	3.7	2.8	2.7	3.6	3.6	4.0	3.5	3.8	2.5	3.5	2.8	2.1	3.0	4.5	4.3	20	
6.2	6.6	8.8	7.1	6.8	7.2	6.7	4.8	4.7	3.4	5.0	4.9	4.8	1.1	4.0	8.9	6.1	
3.8	3.4	5.6	4.1	5.5	3.6	4.0	3.0	2.5	1.6	2.6	2.4	2.5	1.1	2.0	1.8	0.9	
11.5	12.1	10.5	18.6	15.2	13.2	13.5	13.5	13.2	10.9	18.5	8.9	6.3	2.1	7.8	4.8	23	
4.6	23.4	25.1	14.9	11.6	15.0	15.2	16.2	9.8	15.1	16.8	8.0	9.5	18.0	17.2	5.6	24	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
91.9	88.4	86.9	91.0	87.8	90.8	88.7	86.0	89.6	89.0	87.3	90.5	95.2	94.7	85.6	84.6	91.0	26
3.2	0.6	—	0.9	11.6	0.9	1.7	5.1	4.9	31.4	5.5	8.3	10.1	5.1	2.6	6.2	12.2	
25.5	15.5	12.3	26.7	10.7	14.1	9.2	14.8	6.8	7.8	10.3	2.8	1.5	5.2	7.2	9.0	6.1	
25.1	19.2	12.3	14.3	20.2	21.1	25.5	27.9	44.9	30.5	32.8	37.6	41.4	52.5	40.5	51.9	61.0	
6.1	20.5	26.0	12.7	10.4	14.1	13.3	8.2	5.8	2.5	9.6	8.4	7.8	5.3	5.4	0.8	0.7	
8.9	17.7	19.0	11.7	13.6	15.9	14.8	11.1	7.5	8.3	14.6	10.6	10.8	4.9	10.6	2.2	31	
1.5	1.1	0.4	1.8	6.3	3.5	8.9	7.2	6.4	6.7	2.9	6.6	4.5	4.9	5.0	7.6	5.2	
3.9	4.0	7.7	6.1	4.3	8.9	5.7	3.2	2.6	0.9	3.3	5.5	5.5	5.2	2.9	2.6	33	
12.5	5.0	8.5	10.1	6.8	9.3	6.8	5.7	5.9	8.0	4.0	8.1	7.5	7.9	5.5	2.1	1.3	
5.3	4.7	0.6	7.1	4.0	5.1	3.6	2.7	6.8	2.9	4.3	2.5	5.0	5.7	6.9	2.2	0.2	
8.1	11.6	13.1	9.0	12.2	9.2	10.3	14.0	10.4	11.0	12.7	9.5	6.8	5.3	14.4	15.4	9.0	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
95.5	80.3	79.3	84.8	86.8	81.6	86.7	80.7	90.8	68.6	80.6	91.4	85.8	95.3	88.1	81.7	93.6	
21.4	14.4	13.6	14.6	16.2	13.8	16.1	17.6	21.4	17.3	16.5	20.8	22.3	38.7	22.0	13.1	21.7	
12.5	9.2	9.0	10.5	13.7	10.5	11.8	11.3	13.9	16.1	12.5	15.7	13.8	24.9	15.0	17.5	16.1	
9.6	8.6	10.6	8.7	9.4	8.1	11.1	9.1	9.1	8.9	10.7	17.7	13.3	4.8	10.1	17.1	18.1	
19.2	12.3	13.1	9.4	14.2	13.3	12.7	13.7	13.2	9.3	12.5	10.1	9.6	10.8	13.3	13.4	12.3	
6.9	5.4	3.9	5.7	5.9	5.7	6.5	6.5	8.2	3.6	5.8	9.9	4.8	8.9	6.8	8.2	43	
4.3	4.3	2.8	5.4	3.7	3.7	4.0	3.0	4.2	1.2	3.7	2.8	1.4	3.5	5.2	4.5	4.4	
5.1	8.6	8.9	7.6	6.5	8.0	6.5	5.9	5.7	4.6	4.4	4.0	0.7	7.0	2.5	6.9	45	
4.5	3.6	5.4	4.5	3.4	5.0	4.4	2.5	3.1	0.7	2.5	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.2	0.6	46	
12.3	13.9	12.3	20.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.2	11.5	5.7	12.0	7.9	5.6	6.2	4.4	5.3	47	
4.5	19.7	20.7	15.2	13.2	18.4	13.3	9.2	31.4	19.4	8.6	14.2	4.7	13.0	18.3	6.4	6.4	48

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TABLE 2.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF FARMS AND ACREAGE, BY CAUSE

	WEST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Contd.		SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION									EAST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION		
	Nebraska	Kansas	Dela-	Delaware	Mary-	District	Vir-	West	North	South	Georgia	Flor-	Kentucky	Tennes-
					land	of Co-	ginia	Vir-	Caro-	Caro-	Caro-	ida		see
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION														
1	Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	92.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	Reporting cause of nonoperation—percent	97.7	90.3			69.9	100.0	90.9	86.2	85.0	85.4	78.7	89.6	92.7
3	Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—percent	1.2	0.2	2.4	0.6	20.0	0.7	3.1	0.6	5.1	0.6	2.6	1.7	5.1
4	Converted to nonagricultural uses—percent	4.8	4.5	8.7	4.2	20.0	4.1	3.9	4.1	2.7	3.6	1.7	2.2	4.0
5	Land condition or other physical or natural factors—percent	76.3	56.7	23.2	24.1	13.3	25.1	35.5	26.6	29.2	27.5	28.0	40.6	53.5
6	Physical condition or death of operator—percent	0.6	2.6	13.0	8.3	—	11.8	8.9	7.1	11.9	7.5	18.1	5.9	9.5
7	Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—percent	2.3	16.5	21.7	10.9	40.0	22.7	16.2	13.2	15.0	13.3	16.4	15.5	16.8
8	No tenant or insufficient labor—percent	5.8	5.6	13.0	7.9	—	10.4	7.0	14.5	15.9	14.1	4.2	8.1	6.5
9	Financial or legal difficulties—percent	2.9	1.8	1.2	2.5	—	4.1	4.7	5.1	5.9	2.7	6.3	3.8	5.5
10	Other economic reasons for nonoperation—percent	1.7	1.5	7.9	7.4	—	8.4	5.9	11.8	8.4	8.2	9.8	7.9	6.1
11	Other miscellaneous reasons—percent	2.8	1.5	1.2	3.9	6.7	3.7	3.0	2.0	1.8	1.3	2.6	7.3	6.3
12	No reason or reason insufficient for classification—percent	2.3	9.7	7.9	30.1	—	9.1	13.8	15.0	6.6	21.3	10.4	7.3	11.2
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT														
13	Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
14	Reporting year of abandonment—percent	94.2	71.0	91.7	71.7	100.0	92.7	90.4	95.3	95.1	91.8	95.0	95.9	94.9
15	1938—percent	55.5	19.1	22.0	16.3	20.0	19.0	21.0	21.8	20.6	20.7	21.2	26.3	28.6
16	1937—percent	19.1	14.4	15.4	13.0	6.7	16.6	15.6	19.4	19.7	18.8	14.1	19.0	17.3
17	1936—percent	13.9	12.0	15.7	10.3	15.3	13.0	13.9	14.2	15.5	13.2	14.0	11.9	15.0
18	1935—percent	10.4	11.2	15.4	11.8	13.3	14.0	11.2	14.0	15.0	15.1	15.4	12.7	11.5
19	1934—percent	6.4	6.4	5.8	4.7	13.3	6.5	6.2	5.2	6.7	5.5	7.7	6.7	6.1
20	1933—percent	1.2	1.5	2.4	2.8	—	3.7	2.8	3.5	2.5	2.6	3.5	3.1	3.3
21	1932—percent	5.5	2.4	8.7	5.8	6.7	5.6	6.2	5.1	5.4	4.6	6.5	4.0	5.9
22	1931—percent	1.2	1.8	0.8	1.7	6.7	2.6	3.5	3.2	3.1	1.5	3.2	3.1	2.3
23	1930—percent	5.2	2.8	5.5	7.3	20.0	11.6	10.1	9.0	10.5	9.8	9.3	9.1	7.1
24	Year of abandonment not reported—percent	5.8	29.0	8.3	28.3	—	7.3	9.6	4.7	4.9	8.2	5.0	4.1	6.1
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ACREAGE IN ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION														
25	Acreage reported in abandoned or idle farms—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
26	In farms reporting cause of nonoperation—percent	99.1	95.1	94.6	60.9	100.0	87.8	83.7	80.0	94.9	65.9	87.7	90.8	92.0
27	Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—percent	0.9	0.1	16.4	0.8	12.8	1.9	9.5	2.8	10.9	0.4	3.3	2.7	6.5
28	Converted to nonagricultural uses—percent	3.5	3.7	7.1	2.9	50.4	10.0	5.3	3.0	4.4	3.6	0.7	1.7	4.0
29	Land condition or other physical or natural factors—percent	62.9	66.6	33.1	22.0	4.8	22.7	30.1	24.5	25.4	26.7	18.6	38.5	55.6
30	Physical condition or death of operator—percent	0.4	1.0	7.9	5.9	—	10.1	7.1	4.8	9.5	4.2	38.1	3.8	8.0
31	Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—percent	0.7	14.5	8.7	8.0	30.7	18.0	10.0	9.4	16.2	8.0	13.3	15.7	12.9
32	No tenant or insufficient labor—percent	3.2	3.8	7.2	7.1	—	10.7	6.1	16.7	14.1	12.6	3.2	8.9	6.1
33	Financial or legal difficulties—percent	11.4	1.5	0.6	3.5	—	4.6	10.6	6.0	3.6	2.7	4.7	5.4	4.1
34	Other economic reasons for nonoperation—percent	2.5	0.6	12.6	5.2	—	6.0	2.3	10.6	10.2	6.0	6.3	8.3	6.9
35	Other miscellaneous reasons—percent	18.6	1.3	1.0	5.6	1.2	5.9	2.7	2.7	0.7	1.7	1.6	5.7	6.1
36	No reason or reason insufficient for classification—percent	0.9	8.9	5.4	39.1	—	12.2	16.5	20.0	5.1	34.1	12.3	9.2	8.0
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF ACREAGE IN ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT														
37	Acreage reported in abandoned or idle farms—percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
38	In farms reporting year of abandonment—percent	97.7	73.2	96.7	64.5	100.0	94.0	79.7	93.8	95.8	86.2	95.7	96.3	96.8
39	1938—percent	25.4	16.5	15.7	12.5	18.2	18.2	16.5	19.9	18.4	19.1	17.4	26.7	28.2
40	1937—percent	29.3	17.0	11.6	11.4	3.6	15.7	11.9	17.0	17.0	15.1	8.3	17.8	16.5
41	1936—percent	14.3	21.2	25.7	10.1	16.1	13.1	18.8	13.4	14.3	9.8	10.6	10.1	16.0
42	1935—percent	5.6	8.0	10.4	11.0	30.1	15.2	9.2	15.4	15.2	14.6	52.7	15.2	10.8
43	1934—percent	6.0	4.4	6.2	4.4	4.8	4.9	5.2	5.7	11.9	4.7	6.0	5.5	5.5
44	1933—percent	0.4	0.8	5.0	2.7	—	4.0	2.4	3.3	2.8	1.8	1.7	4.9	1.7
45	1932—percent	1.2	1.8	20.3	4.0	1.5	5.7	5.0	5.1	3.8	3.8	6.1	4.3	8.6
46	1931—percent	0.2	1.2	0.3	1.6	6.9	3.1	2.8	5.2	2.0	1.4	5.1	3.1	2.8
47	1930—percent	15.2	2.5	5.4	7.0	18.8	18.0	8.0	8.8	12.5	16.0	7.9	8.6	7.2
48	Year of abandonment not reported—percent	2.3	26.8	8.3	35.5	—	6.0	20.3	8.2	4.2	13.8	4.5	3.7	5.2

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EAST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Contd.		WEST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION				MOUNTAIN DIVISION							PACIFIC DIVISION				
Alabama	Mississippi	Arkansas	Louisiana	Oklahoma	Texas	Montana	Idaho	Wyoming	Colorado	New Mexico	Arizona	Utah	Nevada	Washington	Oregon	California	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		
90.7	98.8	95.1	95.0	92.6	95.3	96.0	95.0	95.8	84.1	85.7	87.1	85.5	93.8	89.9	87.0	87.7	
0.4	4.0	4.9	0.7	6.3	—	12.5	5.4	2.5	2.0	7.1	1.5	2.5	—	2.5	—	0.8	
4.5	4.0	1.8	1.7	6.7	10.9	4.0	5.8	11.1	2.5	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.5	4.2	5.1	13.4	
23.7	25.2	44.9	21.8	59.6	37.7	53.7	47.1	65.0	67.0	58.2	42.4	60.4	68.2	21.2	22.2	24.7	
12.2	11.7	6.3	19.7	3.1	10.7	3.8	8.3	3.7	2.5	3.8	11.0	4.6	4.6	15.7	15.0	9.2	
17.1	22.7	15.5	21.0	5.6	15.3	4.9	9.9	6.2	4.0	16.4	15.9	2.8	9.2	14.3	19.5	10.9	
14.7	10.2	5.5	10.0	1.6	7.8	1.6	1.2	1.2	0.7	1.4	0.4	1.4	—	2.8	2.4	3.6	
2.2	4.5	2.8	5.8	0.9	2.3	4.5	5.0	1.2	1.8	2.0	1.9	5.3	9.2	5.3	7.1	4.7	
14.5	12.5	12.6	12.7	6.4	9.2	10.2	9.1	3.7	5.1	13.9	6.7	6.0	1.8	16.8	10.6	16.8	
1.5	2.0	2.8	0.8	2.4	1.9	0.9	3.7	1.2	0.4	1.8	4.6	1.4	1.5	7.0	7.1	3.7	
9.3	3.2	4.9	7.0	7.4	4.7	4.0	7.0	6.2	15.0	14.3	12.9	14.5	6.2	10.1	13.0	12.3	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
95.5	97.8	95.6	97.6	83.7	93.5	92.2	91.7	88.8	89.3	88.9	91.3	89.4	87.7	95.1	87.6	87.1	
25.4	30.7	20.7	20.7	14.9	21.7	13.7	23.1	16.0	15.0	21.5	24.2	17.3	6.2	25.4	18.9	18.8	
19.3	19.7	17.6	21.8	17.7	15.5	11.7	16.5	18.5	15.4	20.0	17.4	13.4	18.8	15.0	18.4	15.2	
18.2	14.7	16.0	14.6	9.4	11.5	14.9	13.6	14.8	15.7	14.3	11.4	7.1	9.2	13.0	12.0	10.5	
18.5	12.0	14.4	11.6	14.9	14.7	13.2	10.7	18.5	16.6	8.5	15.5	13.4	15.4	14.1	13.0	16.0	
4.8	8.7	7.7	8.4	6.9	6.2	9.2	7.9	17.5	10.1	4.2	5.7	7.4	3.1	5.6	5.7	19	
3.0	2.7	4.7	4.7	3.1	4.4	8.1	5.3	1.2	5.6	1.8	4.5	5.3	6.2	5.8	3.9	20	
3.5	4.5	5.7	7.3	6.4	5.2	10.7	5.0	4.9	4.3	3.2	4.2	12.7	7.7	4.6	5.3	21	
0.7	1.5	3.5	2.4	5.0	4.4	4.6	4.1	1.2	3.3	1.2	1.9	2.8	3.1	2.4	4.9	2.9	
7.1	5.2	5.6	6.1	7.4	9.8	6.1	7.4	6.2	5.3	4.0	6.4	9.9	25.1	11.0	10.0	23	
4.5	2.2	4.4	2.4	16.3	6.5	7.8	8.5	1.2	10.7	11.1	8.7	10.6	12.3	6.9	12.4	12.9	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
88.6	93.9	95.0	93.6	95.2	95.5	97.2	93.2	92.5	85.4	88.0	84.7	89.9	94.6	80.8	71.5	89.1	26
0.2	3.5	7.2	0.8	13.8	—	16.1	22.0	1.2	7.6	4.0	0.6	1.7	—	3.0	—	0.9	
7.0	7.0	2.0	2.5	8.8	10.6	2.1	16.4	17.4	2.0	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.8	2.5	7.9	6.8	
27.7	29.3	44.6	26.7	63.6	42.8	52.4	33.7	54.5	57.0	14.9	48.2	78.2	74.6	31.5	21.2	50.8	29
7.4	6.0	6.0	18.6	1.1	5.4	2.1	2.7	2.4	1.3	0.9	7.8	2.0	1.1	12.4	11.6	7.2	30
11.6	19.3	11.6	16.7	2.4	13.4	2.7	6.5	8.8	2.8	8.4	12.7	1.7	5.4	11.0	11.2	9.6	
17.7	10.7	5.3	11.3	0.7	5.5	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.5	1.3	2.4	3.2	—	3.3	2.7	12.7	
1.8	4.9	2.6	4.5	0.5	8.8	5.5	2.2	1.3	2.5	0.2	1.1	5.1	10.2	4.0	5.6	4.2	
15.4	10.4	13.2	18.0	2.8	7.5	14.4	4.5	4.8	8.9	3.3	8.3	2.5	1.6	13.4	8.7	15.1	
1.8	2.8	2.6	0.1	1.5	1.6	0.6	4.4	1.0	0.6	59.7	3.2	0.3	0.9	9.8	2.6	1.9	
11.4	6.1	5.0	6.4	4.8	4.5	2.8	6.8	7.7	16.6	12.0	15.3	10.1	5.4	9.2	28.5	10.9	
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	37	
95.8	96.8	96.8	97.8	86.8	91.5	96.1	95.5	96.1	80.7	91.7	91.7	94.7	94.9	93.9	81.1	90.5	
24.5	33.1	19.3	16.6	8.7	23.0	11.7	16.5	16.5	13.4	70.0	26.1	4.1	11.6	24.5	39	38	
16.4	15.2	17.4	25.7	27.8	15.9	10.5	13.2	20.2	11.8	8.3	19.2	12.4	12.0	11.4	6.4	40	
16.5	14.7	15.0	14.3	7.8	10.1	16.2	38.2	16.8	16.2	7.5	16.1	5.2	11.8	9.7	8.7	41	
15.6	11.6	15.6	11.0	14.6	12.5	14.0	8.0	14.1	14.8	5.0	14.5	12.4	11.4	17.2	16.2	14.7	
6.3	7.2	8.5	7.6	9.3	11.6	8.3	5.7	15.1	9.1	2.8	1.6	9.1	1.3	10.0	5.1	7.7	
2.6	1.8	5.4	7.0	6.1	5.8	10.1	2.5	0.2	4.8	0.5	2.2	5.8	3.2	5.6	2.9	44	
4.0	4.1	4.8	8.5	5.5	3.7	14.7	3.8	5.4	5.7	0.7	2.6	16.0	9.3	6.5	6.5	45	
1.0	5.5	3.1	1.7	2.0	4.6	4.4	3.0	1.9	2.8	0.3	1.1	3.1	(1)	5.2	6.5	4.4	
8.9	5.7	7.1	7.5	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.8	5.8	4.2	0.9	8.8	13.2	42.2	11.5	15.2	47	
4.2	3.2	3.2	2.2	13.2	8.7	3.9	4.5	3.9	19.3	8.3	8.3	5.3	5.1	6.1	18.9	9.5	48

¹ Less than one-tenth of 1 percent.

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Autauga	Baldwin	Bibb	Blount	Bullock	Butler	Cahoon	Chambers	Cherokee	Chilton	Choctaw
Farms operated, Census of 1940—	231,746	2,255	2,618	1,851	4,482	2,581	270,227	305,163	2,707	3,075	2,878	5,628
All land in farms—	19,145,591	236,444	206,484	158,548	308,215	308,215			230,982	305,717	257,659	262,572
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—	545	2	17	6	1	9	5	1	29	1	15	5,108
Reporting acreage—	539	2	17	6	1	9	2	1	29	1	14	247,612
Land in these farms—	32,770	75	244	318	40	285	60	60	5,088	40	1,525	1
Average per farm—	60.8	37.5	14.4	53.0	40.0	29.4	30.0	60.0	106.5	40.0	108.8	74.0
Not reporting acreage—	4							1			1	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—	489	2	17	6	1	9	2	1	28	1	14	1
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes—	29,048	75	244	318	40	285	60	60	5,088	40	1,525	74
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	2											
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	80											
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons—	24											
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	2,501	1	4									
No tenant or insufficient labor—	128	1	64									
Financial or legal difficulties—	9,079	63	2	2								
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	66		35	164								
Other miscellaneous reasons—	2,454											
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	590											
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—	515	2	17	6	1	9	2	1	29	1	14	1
1938—	51,407	75	244	318	40	285	60	60	5,088	40	1,525	74
1939—	137		4	2	1	4			6	1	5	1
1940—	8,040		44	120	40	115			762	40	200	74
1941—	104		3			2	1		5			
1942—	5,371								280			
1943—	98	1	4	3								
1944—	5,420	12	68	135								
1945—	75	1	1									
1946—	5,117	63	15									
1947—	26	5										
1948—	2,668		36									
1949—	16											
1950—	864											
1951—	19	1										
1952—	1,507	8										
1953—	4											
1954—	315											
1955—	58	1										
1956—	40											
Year of abandonment not reported—	1,565											

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Barbour, Colbert, Conecuh, Crenshaw, De Kalb, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Lawrence, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Morgan, Pickens, Russell or St. Clair Counties.

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Clarke	Clay	Cleburne	Coffee	Cosa	Covington	Gulfman	Dale	Dallas	Elmore	Escambia	Etowah
Farms operated, Census of 1940—												
All land in farms	5,510	2,624	1,869	5,735	1,676	5,975	6,877	2,458	5,715	5,561	2,077	5,444
acres	272,056	223,746	170,700	353,849	219,116	340,441	386,452	284,900	455,539	285,039	151,579	246,501
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—												
Reporting acreage	5	7	19	5	15	8	4	5	5	1	15	20
number												
Land in these farms	5	7	19	5	15	8	4	5	5	1	15	20
acres	950	1,889	780	1,870	340	152	300	360	40	40	867	999
Average per farm—	9.7	152.9	99.4	260.0	145.8	42.5	58.0	100.0	120.0	40.0	66.7	50.0
Not reporting acreage—												
number												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage	5	4	16	5	6	8	5	5	3	1	15	18
classified by cause of nonoperation												
acres	29	530	1,489	780	780	340	140	300	360	40	867	914
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for Governmental purposes												
number												
acres												
Converted to nonagricultural uses												
number												
acres												
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	1	1	8	2	1	1	1	1	2	9	6	6
number												
acres	20	170	459	740	80	35	100	160	160	412	332	332
Physical condition or death of operator												
number												
acres												
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons												
number												
acres												
No tenant or insufficient labor	1											
number												
acres	5											
Financial or legal difficulties												
number												
acres												
Other economic reasons for nonoperation												
number												
acres												
Other miscellaneous reasons												
number												
acres												
No reason or reason insufficient for classification												
number												
acres												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment												
number												
acres	5	7	19	5	15	8	4	5	5	1	15	17
1938	29	950	1,889	780	1,870	340	152	300	360	40	867	799
number												
acres												
1937	1	5	3	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	3	6
number												
acres												
1936	5	670	500	40	320	—	60	200	200	40	112	167
number												
acres												
1935	1	4	4	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	240	110
number												
acres												
1934	20	100	12	500	1,090	155	12	100	100	1	145	165
number												
acres												
1933	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	160
number												
acres												
1932	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	115	115
number												
acres												
1931	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	145	145
number												
acres												
1930	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	160	160
number												
acres												
Year of abandonment not reported												
number												
acres												

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TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING AGREEMENT BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

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ITEM	Payette	Franklin	Jackson	Jefferson	Lamar	Lander-dale	Limestone	Marengo	Marion	Marshall	Mobile	Monroe
Farms operated, Census of 1940—												
All land in farms—	3,037 292,069	3,117 277,256	4,683 371,212	4,455 173,856	3,157 288,607	4,088 353,404	4,767 328,029	5,389 408,740	5,629 504,004	5,505 283,584	2,235 146,550	3,939 301,584
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—												
Reporting acreage—	12	3	1	134	7	1	1	1	4	1	35	1
Land in these farms—	12	3	1	134	7	1	1	1	4	1	35	1
Average per farm—	1,488	206	80	4,270	895	40	40	260	160	1,081	80	80
Not reporting acreage—	124.8	68.7	80.0	31.9	127.9	40.0	40.0	65.0	160.0	30.3	80.0	80.0
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—												
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—	12	3	1	127	5	1	1	4	1	28	1	80
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	1,498	206	80	4,155	575	40	40	260	160	866	866	866
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—												
Physical condition or death of operator—	4	1	1	24	1	1	1	4	4	260	260	260
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	580	80	80	589	45	45	45	40	40	96	96	96
No tenant or insufficient labor—	3	1	1	23	1	1	1	40	40	7	7	7
Financial or legal difficulties—	360	11	11	673	40	40	40	40	40	254	254	254
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	3	3	1	29	1	1	1	40	40	139	139	139
Other miscellaneous—	320	320	320	641	160	160	160	160	160	80	80	80
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—												
1938—	12	3	1	128	7	1	1	4	1	29	1	80
1937—	1,498	206	80	4,110	895	40	40	260	160	863	863	863
1936—	5	1	1	22	4	1	1	2	1	9	9	9
1935—	560	11	11	561	650	40	40	150	160	550	550	550
1934—	1	1	1	55	845	1	1	40	40	120	120	120
1933—	1	1	1	160	21	1	1	70	70	10	10	10
1932—	5	5	5	562	205	1	1	40	40	236	236	236
1931—	560	1	1	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1930—	35	35	35	649	40	40	40	40	40	15	15	15
Year of abandonment not reported—												
acres—	1	1	1	105	105	105	105	105	105	7	7	7
number—	180	180	180	261	261	261	261	261	261	3	3	3
acres—	1	1	1	160	160	160	160	160	160	135	135	135
number—	1	1	1	160	160	160	160	160	160	6	6	6

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ITEM	Montgomery	Perry	Fayette	Dadeville	Shelby	Sumter	Talladega	Tallapoosa	Tuscaloosa	Walker	Washington	Wilcox	Winston
Farms operated, Census of 1940	3,772	5,799	5,198	5,524	2,181	5,821	5,232	2,981	4,559	5,945	1,574	4,011	2,517
All land in farms	450,625	508,078	539,058	299,502	187,415	553,645	295,807	521,892	400,390	223,885	162,921	534,869	195,882
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	4	1	1	10	8	5	2	28	57	25	15	9	1
Reporting acreage	482	217	40	739	508	284	54	5,872	2,144	924	75	8	80
Land in these farms	120.5	217.0	40.0	75.9	65.5	98.0	27.0	158.3	57.6	42.0	23.7	155	80.0
Average per farm												16.9	80.1
Not reporting acreage													
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage	4	1	1	9	8	5	2	19	56	22	12	2	1
Classified by cause of nonoperation	482	217	40	699	508	294	54	5,072	2,084	924	268	20	80
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes													
Converted to nonagricultural uses	2												
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	382												
Physical condition or death of operator													
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	2												
No tenant or insufficient labor	100												
Financial or legal difficulties													
Other economic reasons for nonoperation													
Other miscellaneous reasons													
No reason or reason insufficient for classification													
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	4	1	1	8	8	5	2	22	57	21	15	8	1
1938	482	217	40	695	508	294	54	5,119	2,144	916	508	135	80
1937													
1936													
1935													
1934													
1933													
1932													
1931													
1930													
Year of abandonment not reported													

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Apache	Cochise	Cocoonino	Gila	Graham	Maricopa	Mohave	Navajo	Pima	Pinal	Santa Cruz	Yavapai	Yuma
Farms operated, Census of 1940	18,468	5,120	1,076	1,509	595	676	4,652	873	2,448	952	1,309	174	715	670
All land in farms	25,651,952	4,879,135	2,926,869	4,747,593	155,578	495,817	1,122,211	2,540,541	5,644,536	1,160,373	1,542,913	371,072	1,687,119	105,754
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	268	8	20	11	9	3	48	5	4	106	25	2	19	10
Reporting acreage	224	8	20	9	9	3	48	3	4	106	24	2	18	10
Land in these farms	28,800	1,525	6,220	1,368	1,685	200	2,274	1,100	1,170	4,550	1,784	200	3,874	1,080
Average per farm	101.5	190.6	311.0	152.0	187.2	66.7	47.4	358.7	232.5	41.0	74.3	100.0	215.2	105.0
Not reporting acreage	4			2							1		1	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	250	8	14	9	8	3	37	3	5	95	22	1	17	10
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes	22,655	1,525	5,980	1,368	1,560	200	2,097	1,100	850	5,501	1,448	160	3,854	1,080
Converted to nonagricultural uses	187	1	1	100			1						1	
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	112	7	7	4	7	2	8	1	3	41	18			
Physical condition or death of operator	12,917	1,505	2,790	670	1,420	120	689	400	850	1,573	1,596			
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	52		1	1	1	1	4	1		875	17	6		
No tenant or insufficient labor	3,407		80	160		80	62	60		805	52			
Financial or legal difficulties	640						640				805			
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	299		120	160		1	9	1		10				
Other miscellaneous reasons	2,238			2	360	140	12	1	404	640	16	16	2	4
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	832		12	1	40		1	1	10		5	1	1	5
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	4,107		6	1	125	125	11	1	1177	320	349	356	40	20
1938	241	8	18	8	2	86	5	4	1,000	1,170	5,608	1,784	200	10
1937	24,588	1,525	5,420	1,208	1,360	120	1,949	1,100	1,170	2	19	200	5,874	1,050
1936	6,982	5	2	1	1		687	460	686	210	1,886	1,049	160	5
1935	5,145	2	3		1	1	4	1	1	1	25	6		4
1934	5,145	600	780		150	80	635	640	320	446	643		854	
1933	4,311	10	240	2	800		18	1	640	315	48		2,180	1
1932	5,899	40	2,020	430	230	40	370	3	370	344	24	40	41	4
1931	15							105	105	169	8		320	1
1930	440												186	10
Year of abandonment not reported	2,232	15	1,560	680	1	1	12	1	180	125	80	742		

¹No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Greenlee County.

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Ashley	Baxter	Benton	Boone	Bradley	Caldwell	Carroll	Chicot	Clark	Cleburne	Cleveland	Columbia
Farms operated, Census of 1940	216,674	5,127	1,420	5,570	2,192	1,440	1,142	2,452	4,154	2,536	2,161	1,748	5,700
All land in farms	18,044,542	181,828	175,622	457,654	272,951	122,006	105,490	307,519	238,047	227,799	215,976	172,267	318,510
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	1,526	19	22	106	15	9	11	12	5	11	15	49	28
Reporting acreage	1,522	19	22	106	15	9	11	11	5	11	15	49	28
Land in these farms	903	2,173	4,988	1,327	88.5	620	650	607	241	518	1,437	5,439	1,243
Average per farm	47.8	98.8	47.2	88.5	68.9	60.0	55.2	48.2	47.1	95.8	95.8	70.2	58.7
Not reporting acreage	4												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	1,447	19	22	101	13	9	11	2	11	11	14	49	27
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes	105,834	908	2,173	4,988	1,167	620	650	607	160	518	1,147	5,439	1,603
Converted to nonagricultural uses	75	2	200	3	1	10	10	10	10	10	10	100	1
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	8,005	1	80	198	38	797	7	2	10	7	5	11	1
Physical condition or death of operator	2,241	80		2,549	2,549	797	1	1	120	580	445	160	80
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	666	7	10	38	7	7	1	1	60	67	38	38	1
No tenant or insufficient labor	49	425	975	2,549	2,549	797	1	1	80	80	1	200	100
Financial or legal difficulties	96	2	50	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	5,871	50		50	40	40	1	1	80	80	1	200	100
Other miscellaneous reasons	45				8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	2,846	4	5	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	1,455	21	105	14	9	11	4	11	11	11	15	49	28
1938	107,824	2,015	4,888	1,247	620	650	607	208	3	8	1,437	5,439	1,643
1939	315	2	85	3	2	3	3	1	1	5	2	5	4
1940	22,220	200	1,832	160	125	280	325	80	130	130	107	385	355
1941	268	3	15	1					2	2	3	8	7
1942	19,344	200	489	60					48	160	400	525	345
1943	245	4	17	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	4	1	4
1944	16,664	200	775	377	80	95	75	80	30	320	610	280	280
1945	219	2	17	2	4	5	5	5	5	5	4	151	120
1946	17,411	240	698	120	515	240	240	240	118	118	450	302	160
1947	1117	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	5
1948	9,518	593	115	10	40	25	207	207	40	40	40	280	180
1949	72	2	4	1								4	2
1950	5,980	240	282	420								151	120
1951	86	3	3	1								6	5
1952	5,384	220	218	218								300	160
1953	50	1	1	1								9	7
1954	3,402	160	40	60								776	5
1955	85	1	7	1								40	2
1956	7,921	160	440	100								80	45
Year of abandonment not reported	67	19	1	5	1							33	2
	3,572	908	160	100									

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Arkansas, Clay, Crittenden, Desha, Greene, Lee, Mississippi, Monroe, Phillips, or St. Francis Counties.

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ITEM	Conway	Craighead	Crawford	Gross	Dallas	Brew	Faulkner	Franklin	Fulton	Garland	Grant	Hempstead	Hot Spring
Farms operated, Census of 1940— All land in farms—	2,468 254,968	4,541 337,346	2,196 187,779	3,836 238,684	1,573 115,517	2,685 189,452	5,347 328,125	2,142 229,733	1,939 266,258	1,573 120,589	1,246 95,077	4,048 341,762	2,054 157,721
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940— Reporting acreage—	20 20	2 2	75 75	5 5	25 25	5 400	8 457	20 1,598	21 2,010	6 220	22 1,428	4 198	51 504
Land in these farms—	1,735 86.8	66 35.0	4,612 61.5	181 60.3	1,065 42.6	400 80.0	54.6 79.9	457 95.7	1,598 79.9	21 36.7	22 64.9	22 49.5	51 68.7
Average per farm—													
Not reporting acreage—													
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—	19 1,653	2 66	61 3,446	5 181	25 1,085	400 457	8 1,498	18 2,010	21 220	6 1,428	22 198	4 198	49 3,404
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes—	2 160	2 120	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 120	2 40	1 40	2 200	2 120	2 120	2 120	1 160
Converted to nonagricultural uses—													
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	4 256	2 66	26 1,694	1 160	1 278	1 40	1 64	1 1,418	1 1,210	1 60	1 60	1 1,355	1 1,355
Physical condition or death of operator—	1 20	1 1	6 353	5 70	5 70	5 13	1 1	1 1	1 80	1 80	1 1	1 40	1 40
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	1 100	1 469	12 80	5 4	5 160	2 160	2 160	5 280	1 280	1 40	1 40	1 21	1 21
No tenant or insufficient labor—	4 482	1 1	60 60	5 5	5 560	4 560	4 560	5 240	1 240	1 1	1 1	1 72	1 72
Financial or legal difficulties—	1 1	1 1	250 500	9 15	7 657	1 80	1 80	5 240	1 240	1 1	1 1	1 21	1 21
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	7 635	1 1	500 500	9 15	7 657	1 80	1 80	5 240	1 240	1 1	1 1	1 72	1 72
Other miscellaneous reasons—													
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	1 82	1 1,166	14 1,166	14 1,166	14 1,166	14 1,166							
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—	19 1,695	2 66	54 3,371	5 181	25 1,065	5 400	8 457	19 1,558	21 2,010	6 5	22 220	4 4	51 3,504
1938—	7 655	1 1	307 936	6 1	15 155	2 200	2 160	1 160	2 160	5 5	4 5	4 5	10 784
1937—	7 622	1 1	15 15	6 1	4 4	2 2	1 1	5 5	8 8	2 2	4 4	6 6	6 6
1936—	1 80	1 1	885 885	1 1	4 4	2 2	1 1	13 13	13 13	5 5	1 1	8 8	8 8
1935—	2 158	1 26	8 505	1 160	5 86	1 86	1 86	64 157	64 157	4 4	40 360	8 90	505 559
1934—			2 2	1 1	1 1	1 1	10 559						
1933—			3 95	1 1	1 1	1 1	10 559						
1932—			280 280	1 1	1 1	1 1	10 559						
1931—			4 146	1 1	2 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	10 559
1930—			17 17	1 1	4 4	1 1	1 1	45 45	45 45	1 1	4 4	1 1	10 559
Year of abandonment not reported—	100 100	1 40	200 221	1 1,241	200 1,241	1 1,241	1 1,241	80 40	80 40	1 1	2 2	1 1	2 2

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Howard	Independence	Irard	Jackson	Jefferson	Johnson	Lafayette	Lawrence	Lincoln	Little River	Logan	Limestone	Madison
Farms operated, Census of 1940	2,094	3,412	2,571	2,861	6,484	2,347	2,178	2,757	3,575	1,950	2,792	4,424	2,892
All land in farms	157,710	302,515	269,286	281,526	318,450	195,956	149,420	272,732	209,062	171,121	298,228	361,452	351,013
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	15	9	23	5	27	9	18	27	5	55	22	22	21
Reporting acreage	15	9	25	5	27	9	18	27	5	53	22	22	21
Land in these farms	855	854	2,550	300	1,908	717	998	2,528	400	4,159	5,240	848	2,925
Average per farm	64.1	92.7	110.9	100.0	70.7	79.7	55.5	93.6	80.0	78.1	98.9	38.5	159.2
Not reporting acreage													
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	12	8	23	5	27	9	16	27	5	45	53	22	18
acres	804	674	2,550	500	1,908	717	799	2,528	400	3,179	5,240	848	2,773
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39	51	1	5
Converted to nonagricultural uses	45	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	200	200	200	30	595
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	5	4	5	2	26	5	9	17	2	28	9	10	7
acres	406	360	620	200	1,008	241	480	1,558	120	1,647	698	445	1,570
Physical condition or death of operator or change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	2	5	11	1	1	1	1	2	1	120	120	138	471
No tenant or insufficient labor	121	254	1,520	900	1	1	1	1	200	200	200	8	5
Financial or legal difficulties	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	51.3	15	1
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	20	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	1	1	135
Other miscellaneous reasons	1	80	560	1	1	1	1	1	1	140	160	160	1
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	66	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,102	340	340	220
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	13	9	23	5	27	9	18	27	5	53	53	22	21
acres	853	850	2,550	300	1,908	717	998	2,528	400	4,159	5,240	848	2,925
1938	6	4	3	2	11	1	5	2	2	5	13	4	1
1937	493	394	540	220	501	116	265	240	240	260	1,251	282	135
1936	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	3	2	7	10	6	6
1935	46	144	520	10	40	155	440	160	160	489	1,020	47	772
1934	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	992	600	600	896
1933	80	280	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	7	2	4
1932	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	239	806	120	570
1931	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	2	2	2
1930	45	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	281	984	200	230
Year of abandonment not reported	69	160	80	1	40	40	40	40	40	360	280	280	202
acres										320	40	120	520

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Alameda	Alpine	Amador	Butte	Calaveras	Contra Costa	Del Norte	El Dorado	Fresno	Glenn	Humboldt	Imperial
Farms operated, Census of 1940—number—	132,658	2,447	13	407	2,584	468	1,836	247	863	9,550	1,376	2,065	2,696
All land in farms—acres—	30,524,524	2,48,443	11,225	307,457	532,779	578,532	304,424	39,358	256,504	1,465,568	542,555	826,680	418,023
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—number—	1,276	25	1	1	11	3	17	5	16	48	15	8	89
Reporting acreage—	1,257	25	1	1	11	3	17	5	16	48	15	8	89
Land in these farms—acres—	71,839	1,978	270	56	560	441	240	79	1,399	2,029	6,800	2,950	4,598
Average per farm—acres—	57.2	79.1	270.0	56.0	50.9	147.0	14.1	15.8	87.4	42.3	435.3	370.0	51.7
Not reporting acreage—number—	19												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—number—	1,102	25	1	1	11	2	15	1	15	25	15	8	69
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—number—	63,980	1,978	270	56	560	161	215	60	1,119	401	6,800	2,950	3,772
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	7												
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	676	5											
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons—	169	128											
No tenant or insufficient labor—	4,712												
Financial or legal difficulties—	511	5											
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	22,154	1,720											
Other miscellaneous reasons—	116	3											
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	5,201	44											
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—number—	155												
1938—	1,095	25	1	1	9	3	15	5	15	17	15	7	85
1939—	65,023	1,978	270	56	530	441	145	79	1,385	825	6,800	2,920	4,537
1940—	17,577	33	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	127	6,526	160	2,057
1941—	191	5			10	280	21	60	10	3	2	6	17
1942—	10,553	44			1	1	1	1	1	325	85	217	400
1943—	132				100	156	2	1	1	1	1	1	829
1944—	6,225				2	1	2	1	1	50	9	1,100	9
1945—	201	10			50	3	11	2	2	2	3	3	86
1946—	10,585	1,744			144	1	24	11	21	10	37	1	295
1947—	67	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	2	2	2	2	3
1948—	5,540	5	270	6	100	156	1	53	1	25	1	1,240	825
1949—	4,43				2	1	2	1	1	160	23		20
1950—	2,095				50	3	11	2	2	2	3		
1951—	67	5			1	1	2	1	1	17	1		2
1952—	4,654	157			240	1	4	1	1	1	5	1	20
1953—	357										580	1	5
1954—	5,167										2	3	5
1955—	121	5			1	1	4	2	1	1	1	1	30
1956—	4,649	15			56	2	36	8	265	5	1	1	30
1957—	162				30	2	2	1	31	14	1,704	1	40
1958—	6,816				95	2	2	1	14	14	1	1	61

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Colusa, Iadera, Marin, Mariposa, Mono, San Benito, or Sutter Counties.

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ITEM	Inyo	Kern	Kings	Lake	Lassen	Los Angeles	Mendo- cino	Merced	Modoc	Monterey	Napa	Reno	Nevada	Orange
Farms operated, Census of 1940	228	2,188	2,132	507,165	229,854	486	596,552	1,845	3,777	686	1,999	1,764	492	6,109
All land in farms	183,564	1,673,524	507,165	229,854	606,335	966,410	873,949	585,189	1,329,341	359,491	114,108	215,928		
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	2	49	9	12	18	92	23	8	3	8	53	9	20	
Reporting acreage		48	9	12	18	92	22	8	3	8	33	9	20	
Land in these farms	2	5,077	266	579	5,235	5,221	1,509	102	500	101	4,214	279	731	
Average per farm	200	84.1	28.6	48.2	290.7	56.8	58.6	12.8	166.7	12.6	127.7	31.0	36.6	
Not reporting acreage	100.0					1								
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	2	46	9	12	18	81	22	7	3	8	32	8	19	
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes	200	2,455	266	579	5,235	4,841	1,509	82	500	101	4,028	259	725	
Converted to nonagricultural uses						5								
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	2	22	120			19	4	5						
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons	1,716	85	3	4	9	89	257							
No tenant or insufficient labor	40	106	30	34	2,200	2,402	10	4	2					
Financial or legal difficulties					150	150	7	5	340					
Other economic reasons for nonoperation					150	150	729	245						
Other miscellaneous reasons														
No reason or reason insufficient for classification														
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	2	42	7	11	18	89	17	7	5	8	53	5	19	
1938	200	2,197	151	573	5,235	5,104	507	82	500	101	4,214	258	727	
1937		7	2	5	4	21	5				8	2	594	
1936		377	70	380	1,040	505	105				4	847	180	
1935		511	9	1	2	22	4				2	6	4	
1934		548	20	60	800	1,203	240				32	1,823	49	
1933		160	6	1	1	8	1	5	1		5	1	1	
1932		208	24			64	7	55	320	25	106	40	135	
1931		8	2	3	4	18	4	1	1	1	4	47	10	
1930		550	5	10	320	49					20	12	2	
Year of abandonment not reported		511	84	920	511	84	9				160	8	69	
		4	2	1	2	4	1							
		75	15	350	220	10								
		2	1	1	1	8								
		550	5	10	320	49								
		8	2	3	4	18								
		118	5	1	1	8								
		40	118	115	160	602	16	1	1		5	2	2	
					115	6	117	1,002	20		706	18	36	
											4	1	1	
											41	4	4	

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ITEM	Placer	Plumas	Riverside	Sacra- mento	San Bernar- dino	San Diego	San Fran- cisco	San Joaquin	San Luis Obispo	San Mateo	Santa Barbara	Santa Clara	Santa Cruz
Farms operated, Census of 1940— All land in farms	1,451 214,784	167 634,742	4,672 451,379	3,456 714,584	6,110 949,465	5,814 949,465	91 390	5,575 752,712	1,449,352 125,066	829 821,150	1,339 606,800	5,608 105,059	1,712
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940— Reporting acreage	35 51	5 3	65 65	222 220	82 82	45 45	68 56	10 10	23 23	6 6	4 4	17 17	35
Land in these farms	747 24.1	520 175.3	2,400 36.9	5,525 16.0	3,555 40.9	3,576 79.5	519 5.7	80 8.0	2,542 101.8	250 38.3	970 242.5	433 25.5	355 1,075
Average per farm— Not reporting acreage—	2 2			2			12						30.7
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation— Reporting acreage	51 747	3 520	56 2,210	187 2,497	69 2,276	43 5,526	42 245	5 44	22 2,235	6 230	970 453	4 453	33 885
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes— Reporting acreage	1 5	2 560			52 518	3 45	2 200	7 185		2 507	100 100	1 20	4 145
Converted to nonagricultural uses— Reporting acreage	1 5	1 69	17 250	38 39	21 6	1,180 39	1,338 415	12 6	4 35	9 964		5 950	6 37
Land condition or other physical or natural factors— Reporting acreage	18 1 5	537 5 69	549 5 69	549 250	21 39	1,180 39	1,338 415	12 6	4 35	9 964		2 100	8 10
Physical condition or death of operator— Reporting acreage	1 12	7 357	26 678	8 558	8 42	5 42	5 24	5 4	5 35	2 30		1 30	4 5
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons— Reporting acreage	1 12	1 70	1 30	1 55	1 619	1 619	1 619	1 6	1 35	1 35		1 30	4 5
No tenant or insufficient labor— Reporting acreage	1 60	1 70	1 30	1 55	1 619	1 619	1 619	1 6	1 35	1 35		1 30	4 5
Financial or legal difficulties— Reporting acreage	2 65	1 160	1 40	1 30	1 8	1 8	1 8	1 4	1 35	1 28		2 224	1 79
Other economic reasons for nonoperation— Reporting acreage	23 582	24 1,133	21 218	14 573	14 777	10 1	10 1	1 9	7 9	1 9	325 325		5 224
Other miscellaneous reasons— Reporting acreage	1 4	1 4	224 224	9 9	220 9								5 141
No reason or reason insufficient for classification— Reporting acreage	9 190	55 1,026	13 1,079	2 50	14 74	5 74	14 74	5 74	1 119	1 119		1 6	1 42
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment— 1938	50 707	5 520	64 2,360	64 2,685	198 2,678	79 2,678	42 3,517	10 51	10 80	10 2,342		4 970	34 427
1939	4 68	2 350	9 109	9 428	28 523	23 682	11 682	3 6	3 20	5 549		2 11	5 220
1940	4 44	2 475	12 7	12 379	28 873	9 873	9 354	2 6	1 8	4 298		6 57	5 50
1941	7 169	2 169	22 591	22 504	16 4,030	16 1,030	4 17	1 17	1 10	2 320		4 49	5 9
1942	6 190	1 160	4 265	4 594	4 435	4 247	7 2	2 2	2 10	1 10		1 1	8 141
1943	1 20	1 55	5 9	5 99	5 99	5 17	5 819	5 13	2 13	2 533		1 500	2 153
1944	2 15	2 265	8 105	4 674	4 674	1 105	1 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1945	3 7	2 74	9 14	2 14	2 14	2 105	2 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1946	1 1	1 74	12 22	12 176	12 176	7 22	7 176	7 176	7 20	7 642		1 600	2 310
1947	1 40	1 833	1 40	1 833	1 40	1 190	1 190	1 190	1 190	1 190		1 190	2 353
1948	2 15	2 265	8 105	4 674	4 674	1 105	1 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1949	3 7	2 74	9 14	2 14	2 14	2 105	2 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1950	1 1	1 74	12 22	12 176	12 176	7 22	7 176	7 176	7 20	7 642		1 600	2 310
1951	1 40	1 833	1 40	1 833	1 40	1 190	1 190	1 190	1 190	1 190		1 190	2 353
1952	2 15	2 265	8 105	4 674	4 674	1 105	1 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1953	3 7	2 74	9 14	2 14	2 14	2 105	2 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1954	1 1	1 74	12 22	12 176	12 176	7 22	7 176	7 176	7 20	7 642		1 600	2 310
1955	2 15	2 265	8 105	4 674	4 674	1 105	1 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1956	3 7	2 74	9 14	2 14	2 14	2 105	2 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1957	1 1	1 74	12 22	12 176	12 176	7 22	7 176	7 176	7 20	7 642		1 600	2 310
1958	2 15	2 265	8 105	4 674	4 674	1 105	1 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1959	3 7	2 74	9 14	2 14	2 14	2 105	2 168	2 168	2 20	2 642		1 600	2 310
1960	1 1	1 74	12 22	12 176	12 176	7 22	7 176	7 176	7 20	7 642		1 600	2 310
Year of abandonment not reported—	6 40	6 833	6 40	6 833	6 40	6 190	6 190	6 190	6 190	6 190		6 190	6 230

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ITEM	Shasta	Sierra	Siskiyou	Solano	Sonoma	Stanislaus	Tehama	Trinity	Tulare	Tuolumne	Ventura	Yolo	Yuba
Farms operated, Census of 1940													
All land in farms	1,229	86	1,208	1,466	6,209	5,734	1,744	329	403	1,745	1,339	477,258	562
number	524,891	60,105	689,496	520,265	700,077	689,461	1,227,205	186,445	1,470,782	231,532	457,580	213,032	
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	10	4	13	16	50	2	8	5	24	2	1	1	3
number	9	4	13	16	49	2	8	5	24	2	1	1	3
Reporting acreage	1,614	1,060	2,392	2,474	14	205	336	257	198	55	6	115	
Land in these farms	1,614	1,060	2,392	2,474	14	205	336	257	198	55	6	115	
Average per farm	179.3	255.0	178.6	12.1	50.5	7.0	25.6	67.2	10.7	99.0	55.0	6.0	37.7
Not reporting acreage	1				1								
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	9	4	12	16	47	2	8	2	23	2	1	1	2
number	514	1,060	2,395	193	2,056	14	205	75	237	198	55	6	50
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	1												
Converted to nonagricultural uses	560	1	40	10	6	1	10		10				
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	1	1	5	9	7	1	5	1	2	1			1
Physical condition or death of operator	60	320	1,492	148	1,172	4	170	35	45	40	55		30
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	4	494	2	1	5	1	3	3	20		55		
No tenant or insufficient labor	2	350	45	10	271								
Financial or legal difficulties	3												
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	2	180	1	5	19	1	10	40	47				1
Other miscellaneous reasons	1	640	600	20	509	1	20						20
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	1												1
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	9	5	12	16	44	2	8	5	20	2	1	1	2
1938	614	740	2,282	193	2,420	14	205	336	232	198	55	6	95
1937	2		20	5	13	1	2	5	250	47		1	1
1936	290		210	100	222	4	145	35	20	1		55	
1935	1		503	1	3	1	5	5	52	2	1	158	
1934	2		40	4	5	7			50	4			1
1933	1		640	1,362	30	126			50	1			65
1932	2		400	35	15	1	20		10	1			
1931	1		80		5				20	2			40
1930	2		100	1	2	9			35	45			
Year of abandonment not reported	164	1	172	13	1,095	5	30	5	4	35			20
acres			320	40									

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Adams	Alamosa	Arapahoe	Baca	Bent	Boulder	Chaffee	Cheyenne	Conejos	Costilla	Crowley	Custer
Farms operated, Census of 1940	53,456	1,729	608	1,079	906	687	1,352	295	496	1,048	523	532	305
All land in farms	51,527,240	599,535	374,326	450,344	1,068,584	583,132	205,916	107,352	752,783	352,850	392,522	327,163	245,354
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	1,264	16	18	8	33	74	1	10	37	15	4	6	12
Reporting acreage	1,256	15	18	8	53	72	1	10	37	15	4	6	12
Land in these farms	597,750	1,480	3,840	50	11,440	15,859	350	1,480	12,078	2,800	125	558	2,809
Average per farm	516.7	92.5	213.3	6.2	346.7	220.5	360.0	146.0	326.4	215.4	51.2	58.5	254.1
Not reporting acreage	8				2								
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	1,056	14	18	5	35	71	1	8	37	13	4	6	12
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes	333,856	1,104	5,840	36	11,440	15,499	350	1,140	12,078	2,800	125	356	2,809
Converted to nonagricultural uses	25				5				1				
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	30,340				1,760				320				
Physical condition or death of operator	32				4								
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	7,847				2,080				280				
No tenant or insufficient labor	841	10	18	4	22	67							
Financial or legal difficulties	226,690	927	5,840	28	7,120	14,699			140	11,518	2,740	125	154
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	5,357	32	3	1	1				2	35	11	4	3
Other miscellaneous reasons	35,541	17			160				240	2	2		
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	2,260								140				
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	65,894	200	2	5	1	360			320				
1938	1,121	15		8	33	72	1	9	37	7	4	6	12
1939	321,085	1,450	2	50	11,440	15,859	350	1,180	12,078	880	125	358	2,809
1940	53,282	387		2	2	4	1	2	2		1		5
1941	46,760	257		14	1,280				280	960			
1942	197	5		1	5	10			160	6	2		
1943	64,585	170		5	1,440	2,720			160	2,248	60		
1944	58,950	520		1	5	5,520			160	1,870	640	15	
1945	36,341	160			1	1,440	2,660		80	5,860	180	1	
1946	18,922			2	4	2,400	2,660		4	500	1,540	1	
1947	54			2	2	880	1,800		7	500	8	1	
1948	14,751	42		1	11	5	13		1,850	4	3		
1949	10,945				160				1,280		2		
1950	16,566	176		2	15	1,440	2,868		480	1,850	520	1	
Year of abandonment not reported	1,355	1	18	1	3	840			160	1,280	1		
	76,657	50							280		6	1,920	

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Archuleta, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Jackson, Lake, Mineral, Ouray, Phillips, Pitkin, Rio Blanco, or San Juan Counties.

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ITEM	Delta	Dolores	Eagle	Elbert	El Paso	Fremont	Garfield	Gilpin	Grand	Gunnison	Hinsdale	Huerfano	Jefferson
Farms operated, Census of 1940—	1,699	236	329	999	1,510	987	980	253	362	34	696	540,908	1,763
All land in farms—	220,765	76,888	251,881	1,067,187	1,124,896	367,478	544,452	20,515	316,201	18,696	540,908	287,318	
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—	8	34	1	1	6	27	25	2	5	2	8	16	
Reporting acreage—	8	34	1	1	6	27	22	4	4	2	8	16	
Land in these farms—	468	10,480	180	640	1,125	7,488	51,885	11	1,280	252	320	1,558	2,355
Average per farm—	58.5	308.2	160.0	640.0	187.5	277.5	1,447.9	5.5	320.0	63.0	180.0	194.8	139.7
Not reporting acreage—								3	1				
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—	8	3	1	1	5	27	22	2	4	2	8	11	
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes—	468	720	640	1,121	7,488	51,885	11	1,280	252	320	1,558	1,225	
Converted to nonagricultural uses—													
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	7			1	3	14	14	5	2	2			
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons—	388		640	960	3,719	3,689	—	1,120	140	—	1,115	1,065	
No tenant or insufficient labor—	1	5			2	1	1	1	12	—	2	2	
Financial or legal difficulties—	80	720			645	520	160	—	100	—	245	117	
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—					1	1	1	1	100	—	1	1	
Other miscellaneous reasons—					1	1	1	1	100	—	200	5	
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—					1	1	1	1	100	—	200	5	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—	8	34	1	5	27	14	2	4	2	4	11		
1938—	468	10,480	640	1,121	7,488	5,840	11	1,280	252	320	608	1,226	
1939—	2	1			8	5	—	1	1	1	1	1	
1940—	65	520			1,340	164	—	640	100	—	80	40	
1941—					4	7	1	2	2	—	1	1	
1942—					961	2,528	640	480	92	—	200	5	
1943—		6			6	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	
1944—		2,560			1,670	1,200	3	1	1	—	—	7	
1945—	3	7	1	1	1,440	400	6	160	—	—	—	1	
1946—	220	1,840	640	180	190	—	—	—	—	—	—	104	
1947—	3	9			320	636	2	—	—	—	—	1	
1948—	183	2,880			1,440	640	—	—	—	—	—	640	
1949—		1,920			1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	
1950—					320	636	1	—	—	—	—	520	
1951—					1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	
1952—					160	8	—	—	—	—	—	323	
1953—					1	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	
1954—					160	8	—	—	—	—	—	5	
1955—					1	1	—	—	—	—	—	955	
1956—					160	8	—	—	—	—	—	1,009	
Year of abandonment not reported—					1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	

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ITEM	Kiowa	Kit Carson	La Plata	Larimer	Las Animas	Lincoln	Logan	Mesa	Moffat	Montezuma	Montrose	Morgan	Otero
Farms operated, Census of 1940	454	1,148	1,1,046	1,281	1,885	1,982,561	1,405,422	1,041,707	2,652	527	1,426	1,349	1,189
All land in farms	629,831	935,955	1,371,522	709,361	1,982,561	1,405,422	1,041,707	2,652	422,592	904,008	281,129	625,903	976,598
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	64	106	12	10	125	113	5	18	6	7	11	53	36
Reporting acreage	64	108	12	10	125	113	5	17	6	7	10	53	36
Land in these farms	20,360	54,020	1,656	3,750	35,167	41,920	170	2,278	1,856	942	2,082	7,476	24,931
Average per farm	318.1	320.9	158.0	378.0	281.5	371.0	56.7	154.0	309.3	154.6	206.2	226.5	632.5
Not reporting acreage											1		
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	60	68	11	4	125	63	3	17	5	7	9	33	25
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	19,560	21,450	1,576	2,480	35,167	22,240	170	2,278	1,266	942	1,902	7,476	23,396
Converted to nonagricultural uses	5						1						18,000
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	960					250						1,355	
Physical condition or death of operator	50	63	5	3	119	62	170	13	5	6	5	31	24
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	10,000	20,340	969	1,350	34,117	21,950	170	2,244	558	880	277	7,189	5,396
No tenant or insufficient labor	2,260					640					5	210	
Financial or legal difficulties	6	5	2	1									
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	2,040	640	2	1									
Other miscellaneous reasons	7	3,040	480	57									
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	4				1,100								
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	800	12,560	1	6	6			50		590		160	111
1938	63	72	12	10	125	115	3	15	5	4	8	32	22
acres	20,040	21,860	1,856	5,760	35,167	41,920	170	1,638	1,696	462	1,862	7,316	4,728
number	10	12	5	5	20	17	3	2			1	11	3
acres	2,880	3,720	377	1,940	2,431	5,600		173	838		535	2,628	960
number	4	12	3	3	2,160	2,714	5	550			1	8	5
acres	1,040	5,920	290	1,600	3,040	11	2	280	790		80	2,400	528
number	11	11	2		11,034	4,980						5	5
acres	3,800	4,880	329		1,320	20	1	2	1			1,040	820
number	5	8	1		80	1,803	1,760	165	68		160	110	647
acres	1,280	2,540	60		160	1,240	8480	160	1		1	2	2
number	2	8	3				9	25	1		200	197	281
acres	960	1,840	600			3,560	9,760	5	160				
number	4	12	1			1,4	4	320					
acres	1,920	2,580				80	1,760						
number	6	8	1			160	1,240	2,080					
acres	2,080	2,160				160	1,240	2,080					
number	16	1											
acres	4,640	240											
number	5												
acres	1,440	34											
Year of abandonment not reported	1	12,160											

¹ Includes statistics for 4 farms for San Juan County.

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ITEM	PARK	POWER	PUEBLO	RIO GRANDE	BOUTT	SAGUACHE	SAN MIGUEL	SEDGWICK	SUMMIT	TELLER	WASHINGTON	WELD	YUMA
Farms operated, Census of 1940— All land in farms—	306 565,129	1,022 498,935	1,183 797,885	675 197,941	829 575,216	505 465,726	178 169,458	505 288,736	59 145,509	1,439 1,501,288	4,512 1,934,146	1,765 1,440,494	
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940— Reporting acreage—	17 17 8,395 493.2	171 171 56,806 332.2	31 31 8,651 279.1	4 4 1,900 100.0	11 11 1,120 112.7	2 2 2,655 560.0	9 4 2,655 295.0	4 4 560 30.0	2 2 205 102.5	35 35 13,275 579.2	7 7 3,860 551.4	55 55 12,888 234.5	1 1 120 120.0
Average per farm—													
Not reporting acreage— Number—													
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation— Number—	17 8,395	139 42,921	31 8,651	4 400	10 1,740	2 1,120	8 2,355	4 360	2 205	27 10,475	7 3,860	55 12,888	1 120
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes— Number—													
Converted to nonagricultural uses— Number—													
Land condition or other physical or natural factors— Number—	9 5,880	134 40,196	25 5,218	4 400	8 1,420	2 1,120	2 245	5 200	2 205	10 7,500	2 560		
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons— Number—	4 2,560	1 640	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 1,450	1 1,450	1 205	1 560			
Change in occupation of operator or no tenant or insufficient labor— Number—	3 1,705	1 4,000	1 625	1 625	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 205	1 560			
Financial or legal difficulties— Number—	1 105	4 105	4 625	1 625	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 205	1 560			
Other economic reasons for nonoperation— Number—	1 1	1 640	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 205	1 560			
Other miscellaneous reasons— Number—													
No reason or reason insufficient for classification— Number—		52 15,885											
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment— Number—	17 8,385	165 54,476	31 8,651	4 400	10 1,840	2 1,120	9 2,655	3 320	3 4	34 12,973	7 3,860	55 9,710	1 120
1938— Number—	3 860	24 7,475	5 5,400	1 40	3 440	1 640	1 1,480	2 160	9 160	9 1,475	6 3,700	6 2,510	
1937— Number—	5 1,085	18 8,610	6 1,285	1 440	2 440	2 440	2 375	2 375	6 375	6 2,020	1 160	8 2,400	
1936— Number—	4 3,240	29 12,085	7 3,488	1 160	5 480	1 480	1 375	1 375	15 375	15 4,218	5 4,218	5 1,120	
1935— Number—	2 680	58 18,780	4 790	1 790	2 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	6 160	6 5,260	6 5,260	8 1,640	
1934— Number—	1 40	15 4,420	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	1 160	
1933— Number—	1 640	7 1,406	2 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	1 175	2 640	
1932— Number—	2 1,280	8 1,820	2 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200	5 1,640	
1931— Number—	1 460	4 640	5 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	
1930— Number—		6 2,330											
Year of abandonment not reported— Number—													
Acres—													

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ITEM	THE STATE	Fairfield	Hartford	Litchfield	Middlesex	New Haven	New London	Tolland	Windham
Farms operated, Census of 1940—									
All land in farms—	21,165 1,512,151	2,772 156,422	5,791 218,667	2,795 269,931	1,298 92,281	2,885 161,765	2,947 248,118	2,229 163,642	2,447 190,265
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—									
Reporting acreage—	848	172	97	147	119	44	68	109	92
Land in these farms—	845	172	97	145	118	44	68	109	92
Average per farm—	45,889	5,489	2,509	12,559	4,052	1,655	5,597	7,407	6,981
Acres—	51.9	51.9	25.8	85.2	34.7	37.6	52.9	68.0	75.9
Not reporting acreage—	3								
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—									
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for Governmental purposes—	744	117	85	134	115	45	66	98	86
Acres—	39,921	3,799	1,940	11,605	5,987	1,615	5,530	6,856	6,589
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	405	1	25	1	25	21	2	175	3
Acres—	156	34	10	47	5,300	1,069	496	22	22
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	11,729	720	562	5,300	1,069	422	1,050	1,880	1,782
Physical condition or death of operator—	154	30	14	15	15	4	17	59	24
Acres—	6,262	458	196	525	462	45	1,065	2,275	1,284
Number—	112	11	7	18	25	11	19	13	8
Acres—	5,578	216	105	1,074	735	422	1,050	1,002	988
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	142	13	15	21	45	10	15	55	19
Acres—	5,147	151	509	1,073	1,437	160	352	448	1,217
Number—	26	3	12	4	2	1	4	4	
Acres—	567	151	151	195	55	10	29		
Number—	43	2	15	5	8	5	1	2	
Acres—	2,669	29	241	768	204	165	75	280	
Financial or legal difficulties—	68	5	12	22	2	11	5	5	9
Acres—	4,438	125	260	2,206	19	725	220	515	365
Number—	36	18	2	5	1	3	2	4	3
Acres—	3,126	1,944	136	445	10	87	85	345	76
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	101	55	12	11	5	1	2	11	6
Acres—	3,968	1,690	569	754	305	40	67	551	592
Other miscellaneous reasons—									
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—									
Acres—									
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—									
1938—	719	152	85	138	110	42	61	43	88
Acres—	57,222	4,644	2,021	12,148	3,991	1,611	5,254	2,855	6,700
1939—	135	8	22	18	25	9	14	12	27
Acres—	6,591	79	598	1,464	659	599	873	873	1,755
1940—	84	14	15	15	11	6	8	4	11
Acres—	4,587	403	255	1,295	390	187	759	475	845
1941—	75	20	9	8	11	6	4	4	9
Acres—	5,800	419	212	970	675	508	214	296	706
1942—	91	22	12	14	12	8	8	6	9
Acres—	4,111	850	257	918	418	533	404	549	582
1943—	61	20	10	6	10	2	4	4	5
Acres—	2,508	705	178	556	390	25	142	188	528
1944—	23	5	2	6	6	1	2	1	1
Acres—	1,509	360	70	626	170		159	24	100
1945—	60	18	5	15	10	4	4	4	6
Acres—	5,318	368	158	1,724	402	65	42		559
1946—	55	5	4	18	10	8	1	1	5
Acres—	1,961	125	152	1,028	417	23	45	175	
1947—	107	40	8	46	17	5	14	7	20
Acres—	9,037	1,339	141	5,567	470	295	905	475	1,849
1948—	126	12	7	8	2	7	66	66	
Acres—	6,667	845	288	211	101	44	345	4,554	281

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ITEM	THE STATE	DELAWARE			DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
		Kent	New Castle	Sussex	
Farms operated, Census of 1940 All land in farms	8,994 893,507	2,742 300,361	1,587 192,985	4,665 402,163	65 2,341
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940 Reporting acreage Land in these farms Average per farm Not reporting acreage	258 254 21,700 85.4 4	45 44 5,522 125.5 1	75 72 3,170 44.0 1	140 138 13,008 94.3 2	15 15 335 22.3
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	224 20,527	40 5,250	65 2,688	151 12,659	15 535
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	6 3,560 22 1,551	2 400 2 28	4 3,160 9 490	4 3,114 11 1,035	5 45 5 169
Converted to nonagricultural uses	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	59 7,176 35 1,710	12 3,580 6 259	9 502 8 452	38 58 19 989	2 16 16 -----
Physical condition or death of operator	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	55 1,888 33 1,560 3 1,710	11 516 3 287 1 87	16 900 2 29 2 45	16 672 28 1,244	6 105 16 -----
No tenant or insufficient labor	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number
Financial or legal difficulties	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	20 2,744	2 160	5 187	5 187	15 2,597
Other miscellaneous reasons	3 208	1 153	2 55	2 55	1 4
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	20 1,173	4 272	9 502	7 399	7 399
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	223 20,985 56 3,417 39 2,518 40 5,151 39 2,256 15 1,337 6 661 22 4,402 2 1,176 21 717	42 5,477 16 1,070 7 410 6 230 7 577 1 25 2 1,062 5 132 5 3,035 1 65 14 425 2 11 231	61 2,959 10 689 8 251 11 300 10 455 4 250 5 475 6 89 1 5 8 751 1 60 6 425 11 441	150 12,567 30 1,658 24 1,657 25 4,621 22 1,224 10 1,062 1 54 1 1,280 1 60 6 425 8 751 1 60 5 425 8 441	15 535 3 61 1 12 2 54 2 101 2 16 1 1 5 1 25 5 63 5 63 1 1 1 25 5 63 5 441
Year of abandonment not reported	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number	acres number

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Alachua	Baker	Bay	Bradford	Brevard	Broward	Calaou	Charlotte	Citrus	Clay	Collier
Farms operated, Census of 1940—number	62,248	2,108	424	162	901	764	946	518	102	217	290	86
All land in farms—acres	8,357,708	258,618	35,447	16,554	56,068	170,959	77,559	58,519	38,094	25,027	115,907	67,308
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—number	1,194	53	10	8	56	5	15	21	2	5	9	6
Reporting acreage—number	1,191	53	10	8	56	5	15	21	2	5	9	6
Land in these farms—acres	61,622	2,877	685	1,249	913	267	1,322	445	25	468	651	389
Average per farm—acres	51.7	54.5	69.3	156.1	156.1	25.4	103.5	21.2	12.5	95.6	72.3	64.8
Not reporting acreage—number	3											
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—number acres	1,067	51	10	7	50	5	18	25	4	9	5	115
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes—number acres	54,027	2,792	695	999	771	267	1,024	395	440	651		
Converted to nonagricultural uses—number acres	2,021				1	1						
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—number acres	20				10	240						
Physical condition or death of operator or operator or other personal reasons—number acres	413				8							
No tenant or insufficient labor—number acres	335	10	2	4	6		8	7			1	
Financial or legal difficulties—number acres	11,483	395	400	389	124		1,020	128			14	
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—number acres	215	21	2	1	7		3	3			5	1
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—number acres	22,220	775	50	230	300		4	47			120	286
Other miscellaneous reasons—number acres	195	7	5	1	7	1			2	1	3	2
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—number acres	8,174	1,160	100	300	175	15			25	160	111	80
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—number acres	50	4	2	1	1				2	160		
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—number 1938—acres	1,132	53	10	8	36	2	14	21	2	4	8	6
1938—acres	58,948	2,877	695	1,249	913	27	674	445	25	440	637	389
1938—acres	255	15	5	2	10	1	2	10	1	1	4	4
1938—acres	10,704	620	225	530	329	15	26	214	5	80		95
1937—number	168	10	3	2	5		1	4	91		160	
1937—acres	5,129	279	90	34	140		6	2	1	2	6	1
1936—number	167	2					170	63	50	20	280	451
1936—acres	6,492	95					3	1	5	50		1
1935—number	184	6			605	30	12	7	80		80	20
1935—acres	20,155	221			1	1						
1934—number	92	4			360	1						
1934—acres	5,694	1,158	1		80	1						
1933—number	42											
1933—acres	1,019	160	1									
1932—number	77	7	1	1								
1932—acres	5,778	206	1									
1931—number	38											
1931—acres	3,157											
1930—number	111	8										
1930—acres	4,840	138										
Year of abandonment not reported—number acres	2,674								1	1	28	14
									240	848		

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Flagler, Gulf, Highlands, Holmes, Madison, Okeechobee, or Palm Beach Counties.

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Columbia	Broward	De Soto	Dixie	Dixieland	Escambia	Franklin	Gadsden	Gilchrist	Glades	Hamilton	Hendee
Farms operated, Census of 1940	1,385	1,459	604	194	1,164	16	529	159	928	136,975	1,152	149,812
All land in farms	175,159	70,505	146,291	87,255	61,067	71,886	5,975	181,782	86,689	279,226	159	21
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	9	37	32	4	108	30	6	2	2	9	5	21
Reporting acreage	9	37	32	4	108	50	6	2	2	9	5	21
Land in these farms	1,516	607	853	205	2,999	886	185	512	185	187	600	415
Average per farm	148.2	16.4	26.8	51.2	27.8	29.5	91.5	85.3	85.0	18.6	200.0	18.8
Not reporting acreage												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	9	36	50	4	107	30	6	2	9	5	21	415
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes	1,516	557	826	205	2,997	886	185	512	150	167	600	6
Converted to nonagricultural uses												
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	2	27	1	2	13	5	1	2	6	1	120	215
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons	88	401	10	105	141	54	8	48	132	1	—	2
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	2	6	—	—	20	10	—	—	150	1	—	3
No tenant or insufficient labor	440	145	—	—	886	219	—	410	—	5	—	—
Financial or legal difficulties												
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	250	27	1	1	11	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other miscellaneous reasons	120	50	40	3	197	374	—	—	—	20	—	6
No reason or reason insufficient for classification					150	351	22	5	1	1	—	84
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment					100	351	144	175	1	1	10	—
1938	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
1939	9	56	15	4	108	30	1	6	150	105	5	21
1940	200	567	379	205	2,999	886	175	512	1	1	600	415
1941	1	6	50	—	470	145	6	54	50	—	—	5
1942	122	40	3	1	15	7	—	1	—	—	120	6
1943	40	60	1	1	475	94	50	400	—	—	96	2
1944	210	7	5	35	653	29	20	20	—	—	—	25
1945	1	2	1	—	20	8	1	1	2	1	160	3
1946	210	11B	20	1	451	14	—	33	80	15	160	1
1947	1	5	—	—	155	—	—	—	—	—	—	40
1948	30	144	1	—	155	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
1949	40	144	10	—	38	5	—	—	—	—	120	1
1950	—	—	—	—	89	112	—	—	—	—	—	1
1951	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	520
1952	35	20	60	—	16	12	—	—	—	—	—	1
1953	1	1	—	—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	40
1954	26	16	80	—	674	60	1	5	—	—	—	2
1955	1	17	—	—	175	5	—	—	—	10	—	10
1956	40	479	40	479	—	—	8	—	—	62	—	—

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Maranee	Mariion	Martin	Monroe	Mussan	Okealossa	Orange	Oceola	Pasco	Pinellas	Polk	Putnam
Farms operated, Census of 1940—												
All land in farms—	676	2,146	117	3,204	94	531	898	2,599	442	1,107	732	4,275
Acres—	57,695	220,050	35	11	2	36,275	75,799	209,885	488,588	108,428	28,607	458,825
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—	18	35	11	2	99	18	24	49	52	10	27	23
Reporting acreage—	18	35	11	2	97	18	24	49	52	10	26	25
Number in these farms—	18	35	11	2	2,577	874	1,784	1,527	306	758	758	253
Land in these farms—	18	35	11	2	85.5	24.5	18.2	36.4	29.4	30.6	28.4	10.1
Average per farm—	10.8	37.2	15.5	15.5	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
Not reporting acreage—												
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
classified by cause of nonoperation—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
No tenant or insufficient labor—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Financial or legal difficulties—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Other miscellaneous reasons—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	18	34	10	2	77	17	21	46	50	9	24	19
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
classified by year of abandonment—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1938—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1937—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1936—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1935—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1932—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1931—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
1930—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22
Year of abandonment not reported—	18	34	11	2	95	18	24	47	40	8	25	22

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ITEM	THE STATE ¹	Appling	Atkinson	Baker	Baldwin	Banks	Barrow	Bartow	Ben Hill	Bibb	Brooks	Bryan	Burke	Dade
Farms operated, Census of 1940—	number—	216,035	1,459	662	1,095	805	1,370	1,458	1,861	900	829	2,256	2,560	950
All land in farms—	acres—	23,683,631	190,480	84,454	153,559	125,559	118,059	94,494	199,625	110,151	92,049	236,511	105,845	410,750
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940—	number—	1,928	2	2	1	20	9	1	15	5	72	1	7	6
Reporting acreage—	number—	1,917	2	2	1	20	9	1	15	5	72	1	7	6
Land in these farms—	number—	225,099	225	140	104	3,198	1,560	40	959	112	4,370	18	18	10
Average per farm—	acres—	117.4	117.5	70.0	104.0	159.9	176.3	40.0	73.8	57.5	60.7	16.0	2.6	1,063
Not reporting acreage—	number—	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	115.5
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation—	number—	1,509	2	2	1	20	8	—	12	5	69	1	7	4
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes—	acres—	148,267	235	140	104	3,186	1,548	—	879	112	4,310	18	513	945
Converted to nonagricultural uses—	acres—	947	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Land condition or other physical or natural factors—	acres—	69	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Physical condition or death of operator—	acres—	8,015	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons—	acres—	527	2	2	1	4	5	—	8	2	4	—	—	5
No tenant or insufficient labor—	acres—	60,102	235	140	104	238	1,250	—	570	52	202	—	—	521
Financial or legal difficulties—	acres—	144	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Other economic reasons for nonoperation—	acres—	9,539	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	77
Other miscellaneous reasons—	acres—	255	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
No reason or reason insufficient for classification—	acres—	18,078	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	120
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment—	number—	270	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	425
1938—	acres—	28,257	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1939—	acres—	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1940—	acres—	5,997	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1941—	acres—	157	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1942—	acres—	13,481	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1943—	acres—	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1944—	acres—	3,851	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1945—	acres—	408	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1946—	acres—	76,652	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1947—	acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1948—	acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1949—	acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1950—	acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Year of abandonment not reported—	acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

¹ No reports of abandoned or idle farms for Bacon, Berrien, Bleckley, Brantley, Bullock, Camden, Candler, Charlton, Clinch, Cook, Echols, Emanuel, Glascock, Gordon, Johnson, Lanier, McIntosh, Macon, Marion, Montgomery, Polk, Tift, Towns, Wayne, Wheeler, or Worth Counties.

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ITEM	Crawford	Crisp	Dade	Dawson	Decatur	De Kalb	Dodge	Dooly	Dodge	Dougherty	Douglas	Early	Effingham	Elbert	Evans	Fannin	
Farms operated, Census of 1940 All land in farms	741 137,235	1,226 154,237	577 54,015	614 64,514	1,563 237,782	1,957 91,754	2,055 241,046	1,680 220,190	1,686 129,191	1,135 99,463	2,232 199,451	827 149,981	1,685 177,579	707 177,579	1,649 74,139	113,579	
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940 Reporting acreage	1 1	5 3	5 195	9 2,225	6 1,010	7 4,304	7 527	1 800	9 1,310	42 80.5	1 30.0	15 5,595	15 1,985	10 175	25 1,219		
Land in these farms																	
Average per farm																	
Not reporting acreage																	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	101 1	125 2	195 5	2,225 784	784 4	77 3,552	467 800	6 1,110	8 2,455	56 30	1 5,495	13 1,715	4 33	24 1,194			
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes																	
Converted to nonagricultural uses																	
Land condition or other physical or natural factors																	
Physical condition or death of operator or other personal reasons																	
No tenant or insufficient labor																	
Financial or legal difficulties																	
Other economic reasons for nonoperation																	
Other miscellaneous reasons																	
No reason or reason insufficient for classification																	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	50 2	226 2	952 31	60 1	87 527	7 1	9 1,310	36 2,455	1 30	45 5,595	1 12	15 627	10 1,201	23 120	1,109 957		
1938	125 1	195 4	2,225 4	1,010 567	15 50	1 2	3 260	1,439 111	1 11	1 636	1 100	1 5	2 3,016	6 456	6 17		
1937	100 1	1 3	1 25	1 2,001	1 90	1 1	1 100	1 5	1 150	1 5	1 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1936	23 1	90 1	185 1	1 2,001	18 90	1 1	1 100	1 5	1 150	1 5	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1935	35 1	52 1	355 1	335 1	15 65	1 75	1 65	1 60	1 60	1 5	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1934	200 1	1 5	1,000 1	60 1	60 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1933	70 1	50 1	65 1	75 1	75 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1932	27 1	27 1	252 1	252 1	252 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1931	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
1930	400 1	1 1	187 522	1 800	1 800	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	
Year of abandonment not reported	101 50	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 284	1 450	1 124	1 480	1 850	6 242	

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ITEM	Hart	Heard	Henry	Houston	Irwin	Jackson	Jasper	Jeff Davis	Jenkins	Jones	Lamar	Laurens	Lee	Liberty	
Farms operated, Census of 1940	2,506	1,524	1,835	1,008	1,586	2,225	802	961	1,956	1,245	742	3,569	946	917	
All land in farms	149,311	147,259	180,101	187,061	194,274	176,873	147,616	91,385	249,721	161,085	157,112	93,291	362,524	148,360	155,087
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	number	2	22	21	5	1	9	4	1	1	5	4	7	10	
Reporting acreage	acres	2	22	21	5	1	9	4	1	1	2	4	7	10	
Land in these farms	acres	37	1,442	1,109	432	30	681	1,240	40	120	40	261	1,062	5,640	
Average per farm	acres	18.5	65.5	52.8	86.4	30.0	75.7	310.0	40.0	120.0	40.0	65.2	151.7	564.0	
Not reporting acreage	number										1				
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	number	1	19	19	5	1	9	4	1	1	2	4	7	10	
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	acres	12	1,312	992	432	50	681	1,240	40	120	40	55	261	1,062	
Converted to nonagricultural uses	acres														
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	acres	12	365	248	5	—	445	800	40	120	—	—	1	1	
Physical condition or death of operator or change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	acres	—	—	1	2	271	165	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	
No tenant or insufficient labor	acres	—	—	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	
Financial or legal difficulties	acres	—	—	4	3	275	50	—	—	—	—	5,607	33	125	
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	acres	—	—	235	220	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Other miscellaneous reasons	acres	—	—	54	50	50	90	240	—	—	55	—	—	540	
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	acres	—	—	7	5	—	2	—	—	—	109	35	—	—	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	number	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	
1938	acres	12	1,442	1,109	432	50	681	1,240	40	120	40	55	261	1,062	
1937	acres	—	—	7	6	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	310	2,852	
1936	acres	—	—	414	376	86	30	—	240	—	—	1	—	—	
1935	acres	—	—	7	4	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	200	2,680	
1934	acres	—	—	510	144	—	—	10	40	—	28	—	—	—	
1933	acres	—	—	4	1	—	—	5	—	120	—	2	402	75	
1932	acres	—	—	223	22	—	—	215	—	—	1	—	150	—	
1931	acres	—	—	1	3	1	—	2	300	—	—	1	—	300	
1930	acres	—	—	65	175	1	—	192	—	—	—	1	—	—	
Year of abandonment not reported	acres	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	
	acres	—	—	20	15	96	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
	acres	—	—	—	2	1	—	250	—	—	—	1	—	—	
	acres	—	—	—	204	75	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
	acres	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	700	—	—	
	acres	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	355	
	acres	—	—	47	178	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
	acres	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
	acres	—	—	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	

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TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACREAGE BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Lincoln	Long	Lowndes	Lumpkin	McDuffie	Madison	Merrimothier	Miller	Milt-chell	Monroe	Morgan	Murray	Mus-cogee	Newton	Oconee			
Farms operated, Census of 1940 All land in farms	1,052 106,925	400 56,994	1,852 157,557	841 75,375	995 116,820	1,876 .52,448	1,856 245,868	1,400 119,258	2,862 282,126	975 181,049	1,335 176,254	1,258 126,899	538 71,865	1,198 158,249	924 99,557			
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940 Reporting acreage	25 25	13 13	3 24	4 271	1 160	4 406	22 1,906	2 49	5 850	22 4,338	16 3,859	11 986	49 1,423	14 4,874	4 716			
Land in these farms	17,639	246	24	271	67.8	160.0	101.5	86.6	24.5	166.0	197.2	275.6	89.6	348.1	179.0	179.0		
Average per farm	705.6	18.9	8.0	18.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—		
Not reporting acreage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation	2 160	12 254	3 24	4 271	1 160	4 406	10 320	2 49	2 70	20 3,858	14 3,859	10 886	47 1,356	14 4,874	5 492	—		
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Converted to nonagricultural uses	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Physical cognition or death of operator	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
No tenant or insufficient labor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Financial or legal difficulties	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Other miscellaneous reasons	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment	15 12,127	15 246	5 24	4 271	1 160	1 406	4 1,766	2 49	2 14	21 820	1 3,938	10 1,528	11 986	48 1,388	4 4,874	4 716		
1938	—	3 61	2 14	1 52	1 60	1 610	7 14	1 1	1 2	50 312	1 1,905	5 535	2 86	6 125	1 220	4 716		
1937	—	1 20	1 10	2 189	1 160	1 100	1 150	1 1	1 1	1 16	1 290	1 35	3 100	3 120	5 17	—		
1936	—	1 100	2 60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
1935	—	2 157	2 25	1 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	4 351	8 351	4 302	1 100	6 100	6 176	—	
1934	—	1 48	1 12	1 30	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	1 10	1 80	1 90	1 90	—	
1933	—	1 20	2 2	1 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	1 10	1 80	15 15	2 997	—	
1932	—	3 —	1 —	1 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 116	1 116	1 116	1 116	1 116	1 116	—	
1931	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
1930	—	9 11,369	10 5,512	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 265	4 1,367	6 1,367	2 80	2 80	11 265	1 35	—
Year of abandonment not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4 140	4 10	1 400	1 400	1 400	1 400	—	—

TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACRES, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACRES BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Oglethorpe	Paulding	Peach	Pickens	Fulton	Pike	Pulaski	Putnam	Quitman	Rabun	Ban-dolph	Richmond	Rockdale	Schley	Screven
Farms operated, Census of 1940															
All land in farms	1,595	1,788	433	939	1,375	117,177	944	833	365	1,037	1,952	920	809	629	2,320
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940	206,547	159,534	81,750	100,750	155,586	117,177	126,058	153,005	55,899	56,981	109,920	110,060	72,250	87,828	264,144
Reporting acreage															
Land in these farms	17	25	1	10	1	12	1	4	5	8	41	5	1	4	
Average per farm	2,059	2,477	50	844	5	810	50	690	4	8	41	5	1	4	
Not reporting acreage	121.1	99.1	50.0	84.4	5.0	67.5	50.0	172.5	234.0	67	487	1,445	151	150	235
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation															
Expropriated under eminent domain or purchased for governmental purposes	16	22	1	9	11	50	50	450	3	4	3	8	38	5	4
Converted to nonagricultural uses	1,376	1,610	50	764	—	—	—	—	415	67	487	1,351	151	150	235
Land condition or other physical or natural factors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Physical condition or death of operator	5	14	1	5	8	1	2	2	90	53	112	12	9	1	5
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons	202	1,175	50	603	407	50	400	400	50	53	112	112	112	112	185
No tenant or insufficient labor	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Financial or legal difficulties	1,487	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other economic reasons for nonoperation	—	159	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other miscellaneous reasons	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No reason or reason insufficient for classification	1	3	—	1	1	100	5	—	1	1	—	—	5	—	—
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment															
1938	17	25	1	10	1	12	1	2	5	5	67	41	5	1	2
1937	6	2,477	50	844	5	810	50	290	1,170	5	1,425	151	150	155	155
1936	811	4	—	—	2	—	5	—	—	1	3	8	1	1	1
1935	7	260	—	—	515	—	—	379	—	14	312	291	—	150	—
1934	776	4	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	1	1	13	2	—	—
1933	3	167	—	—	51	5	86	50	—	—	18	578	60	—	—
1932	292	235	2	1	1	1	1	153	—	—	—	2	1	1	1
1931	7	50	—	—	58	—	—	—	—	1	1	40	61	110	110
1930	1,257	—	—	—	70	—	—	50	240	40	—	—	6	1	1
Year of abandonment not reported	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	156	17	—
Acres	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	—
Number	185	867	—	80	5	100	5	—	240	755	—	—	94	—	—
Acres	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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TABLE 3.—ABANDONED OR IDLE FARMS—NUMBER AND ACRES, WITH CLASSIFICATION OF THOSE REPORTING ACRES BY CAUSE OF NONOPERATION AND BY YEAR OF ABANDONMENT, BY COUNTIES: CENSUS OF 1940—Continued

ITEM	Turner	Troup	Union	Upson	Walker	Walton	Ware	Warren	Washington	Webster	White	Whitfield	Wilcox	Walkes	Wheeler	
Farms operated, Census of 1940— All land in farms—	1,521 125,166	1,014 129,382	1,525 2	921 1	2,552 257	2,286 38	1,029 2	1,235 12	2,506 2	576 4	1,586 5	1,585 35	1,757 8	1,692 12	1,95,027 15	
Abandoned or idle farms, Census of 1940— Reporting acreage—	number— 5	number— 2	1	185 4,649	185 4,249	185 2,244.5	185 185.0	185 172.1	185 245.0	185 226	185 200	185 197.6	185 75.0	185 24.7	185 75.4	185 336.9
Land in these farms—																
Average per farm— acres—	29.0	2,244.5	185.0	172.1	4											
Not reporting acreage— number—																
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by cause of nonoperation— acres—	3 87	2 4,649	2 —	63 7,272	50 1,575	2 486	2 226	12 200	2 1,254	5 986	1 50	35 864	6 277	10 5,752	15 7,028	
Expropriated under eminent domain or pur- chased for governmental purposes— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Converted to nonagricultural uses— acres—	2 —	—	—	16 2,458	—	—	—	—	1 204	5 296	1 50	6 120	5 257	6 257	6 6,035	
Land condition or other physical or natural factors— acres—	7 —	—	—	5 950	16 906	2 486	7 166	7 1	2 296	1 50	6 50	5 120	5 257	2 140	1 140	
Physical condition or death of operator— acres—	—	—	—	8 913	5 255	—	—	8 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Change in occupation of operator or other personal reasons— acres—	—	—	—	23 1,811	7 157	—	—	2 1	—	—	—	25 560	—	—	1 200	
No tenant or insufficient labor— acres—	1 400	—	4 350	—	—	—	—	1 1	—	—	—	2 58	1 20	5 1,897	6 795	
Financial or legal difficulties— acres—	—	—	—	1 88	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Other economic reasons for nonoperation— acres—	—	—	—	6 722	2 79	—	—	1 10	—	—	—	235 155	—	—	1 800	
Other miscellaneous reasons— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
No reason or reason insufficient for classification— acres—	—	—	—	1 185	170 32,819	8 841	—	—	—	—	—	1 100	—	2 310	2 1,800	
Abandoned or idle farms reporting acreage classified by year of abandonment— acres—	5 —	1 400	1 185	1 30,594	33 1,405	2 486	10 194	2 1	4 200	5 988	2 150	2 698	2 150	8 587	12 4,045	
1938— acres—	87 —	—	—	8,609 1	100 40	2 5	1 400	1 1	1 50	1 692	1 50	1 692	1 50	8 587	15 8,828	
1937— acres—	—	—	—	1 185	4,727 —	190 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1936— acres—	80 —	—	—	1 400	5,913 —	27 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1935— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1934— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1933— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1932— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1931— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
1930— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
Year of abandonment not reported— acres—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	
—	4,249	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 5	2 197	